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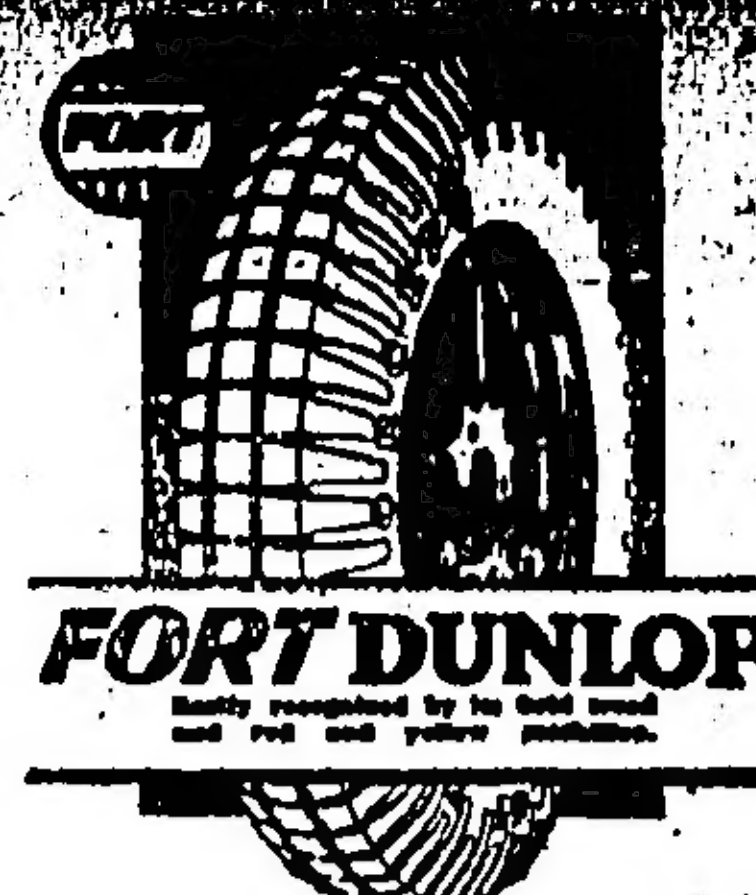
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MIDDLE OF CHINA FINANCE.

MINISTERS GIVE IT UP.

CHIANG STIRS.

Shanghai, Jan. 14.
Mr. Huang Han-ling, the new Minister of Finance, and Mr. Ling Kang-hou, the Vice-Minister of Finance, have tendered their resignations to the reconstituted Nanking Government.

The Ministers declare that they are forced to do so owing to their inability to solve the middle of China's financial affairs. *—Reuter.*

Shanghai, Jan. 14.
Chiang Kai-shek has arrived at Hangchow to attend a military conference with his Divisional Commanders, causing the liveliest attention of Government circles.

Chiang Kai-shek arrived by aeroplane.

Soong To Return?

Mr. T. V. Soong, the former Finance Minister, is also at Hangchow. There is a suspicion that Huang Han-ling has resigned to permit the return of Mr. Soong, Chiang's nominee.

Chiang Kai-shek still declines to return to Nanking for the time being, despite the persuasive efforts of General Ho Ying-ching and Mr. Chang Chi, who visited Fonghua earlier in the week. A Nanking gunboat which was sent to Fonghua has returned to Nanking.

Chiang Kai-shek's attitude towards the new coalition government is still obscure. *—Rensha.*

M. LAVAL'S NEW CABINET.

TAKES FOREIGN MINISTRY.

Paris, Jan. 13.
President Doumer this afternoon requested M. Pierre Laval to form a new Cabinet, and late this evening, the list was complete.

M. Laval, who was Minister of the Interior concurrently with his Prime Ministership in the last Cabinet, appointed M. Cathala to that post and now undertakes the Foreign Affairs portfolio.

M. Tardieu becomes Minister for War.

The Cabinet.
The full Cabinet list follows:
Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs: M. Laval.
Justice: M. Leon Berard.
Finance: M. Flaudin.
Interior: M. Cathala.
Budget: M. Pietri.
War: M. Andre Tardieu.
Marine: M. Dumont.
Mercantile Marine: M. Chappedelaine.
Post and Telegraphs: M. Guernier.
Air: M. Dumesnil.
Commerce: M. Rollin.
Public Instruction: M. Roustan.
Agriculture: M. Fould.
Colonies: M. Reynard.
Pensions: M. de Ribes.
Public Works: M. Deligne.
Labour: M. Landry.

Earth Tremor in North Wales.

Residents of Pwllheli Have Alarming Experience.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Jan. 13.
Residents of Pwllheli, in North Wales, were considerably alarmed in the early hours of this morning, when the area was rocked by a

GAMBLING IN EXCHANGE.

SHARE PROFITS WIPED OUT.

MR. GREENWOOD'S BANKRUPTCY.

Admitting that his bankruptcy was entirely due to gambling in shares and exchange, Mr. Stanley Greenwood, No. 14, Essex Crescent, butcher, of the Dairy Farm Co., was publicly examined on his own petition by the Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz) in the Bankruptcy Court this morning, before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp).

Debtor's liabilities are £17,790.38, with assets of \$615.48. Debtor gave his age as 29 years and said he came to Hongkong three years ago on agreement with the Dairy Farm Co. His salary was \$300 a month, including house and light allowance. He had previously been in America and his sole business was that of a butcher. His debts were due to transactions with sharebrokers and in exchange. He started share dealings about January, 1931, with about \$5,000 capital, which sum he had saved.

Profit at First.
At first the made certain profits, between \$8,000 and \$10,000, but in July he started to lose, owing to the market going against him. The biggest fall was in September, this being due to the rise in exchange.

Debtor went on to say that he met his obligations, as far as he could, out of his profits and savings. All his creditors, with the exception of the Mercantile Bank, were unsecured, and the Bank was only partly secured. He bought exchange for about £1,600 from the Bank, £500 at 1/- and £1,000 at 1/2.5/16ths. He did not want the exchange; it was merely a gamble.

To cover that, he put up certain shares which were still held by the Bank and the Bank was, in fact, an unsecured creditor for about £1,900. He bought the shares out of his profits.

Hard on Brokers.
Mr. Agassiz:—Your position to some extent is that the money you made from the brokers went as security to the Mercantile Bank, which is rather unfortunate for the brokers?—Yes.

Debtor further stated that he was still employed by the Dairy Farm Co. on a monthly basis and he had reason to believe that his employment would be continued. Your bankruptcy is a failure?—Yes, absolutely.

If you had not gambled, you would not have been here to-day?—Yes.

You have, I think, a certain relative in England towards whose support you contribute from your salary?—Yes.

And you are continuing your contributions?—Yes, as far as I possibly can.

You are prepared to pay from your salary to me, for distribution among your creditors, the sum of \$75 per month?—Yes.

And that is all you feel you can properly afford to pay?—Yes.

You have no other means or assets whatever beyond those disclosed to me in your statement of affairs?—None.

You are not married?—No.

The examination was closed.

PANICKY LEAPS INTO STREET.

TWENTY HOUSES GUTTED.

A disastrous fire, involving nearly twenty houses in the business centre of Aplichau, the island opposite Aberdeen, broke out in the early hours of this morning.

Fourteen houses, extending along both sides of Main Street were completely gutted, while others were damaged by both fire and water.

Two elderly people, an aged mother and her son, were injured by jumping from one of the upper floors.

The alarm was raised at about 15 minutes after mid-night, when the fire commenced on the ground floor of 116, Main Street, occupied by the Ping On Tong medicine dealers.

The Aberdeen Police Station was communicated with and all available assistance was rushed to the scene. A message was sent to the Central Fire Brigade while Gough Hill Police Station sent an hand appliance to the scene.

Strong Hold.

From the Central Fire Brigade, all appliances were despatched but the use of the fire float had to be brought into commission together with other craft to take the fire fighters across.

The flames had gained a strong hold by the time the brigade arrived, the hand appliance from Gough Hill being on the scene in a little over three quarters of an hour after the start of the outbreak, while the Central appliances arrived nine minutes later.

Both Sides of Street.

The flames spread rapidly with the assistance of a fairly strong breeze. The two adjoining shops, one a medicine dealers and the other a grocery and fruit shop, were quickly involved. Houses on both sides of No. 116, were gutted, and the blaze spread across the narrow thoroughfare and affected three shops on the opposite side.

Much excitement prevailed among the inhabitants of the village. Those in the immediate area involved made hurried exits as soon as the alarm was raised.

Before the fire had reached serious dimensions, an elderly woman, Liu Ho, aged 70, and her son, Yuen Ming, aged 50, sustained injuries to their legs in jumping from the first floor of No. 116 into the street.

Another woman, whose identity has not been discovered, was found lying in the street suffering from injuries apparently caused through jumping from an upper floor.

The injured were removed to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

The firemen gradually gained the upper hand and by 2.30 a.m. had the flames under control, although it was not entirely extinguished until about 4 o'clock.

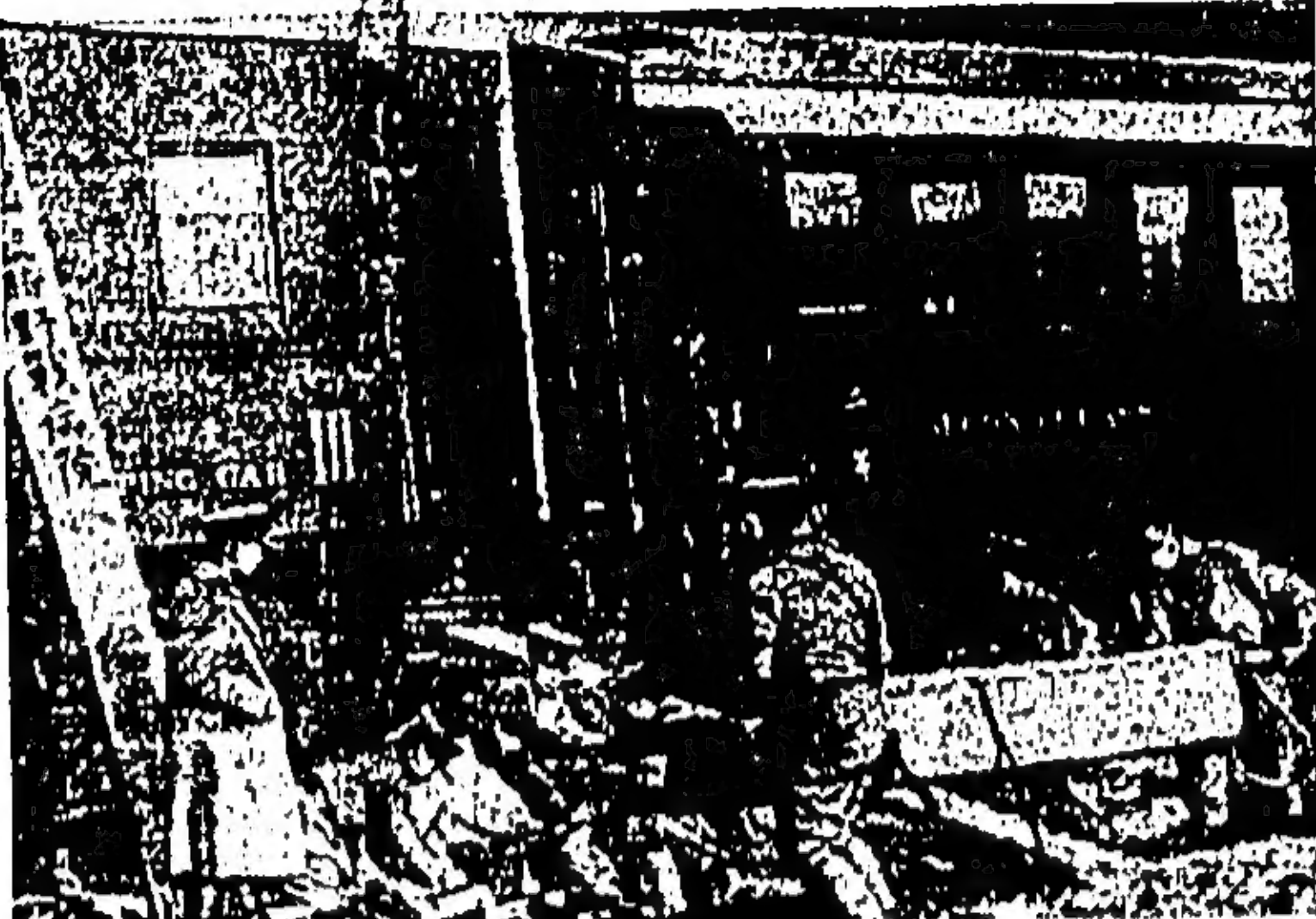
Electric Shocks.

One of the most extraordinary incidents for some considerable period was the firemen in carrying out their task of subduing the flames. This was caused through live wires coming into contact with the water, causing the firemen to suffer shocks. The spectacle of firemen suddenly dropping their implements and leaping from electric shocks was perhaps the most unusual feature of the blaze.

Fire Officer Fitzhenry, who was in charge of the Brigade, suffered an unpleasant experience. His torch came into contact with a live wire and he was sent flying off his feet, having received a severe shock.

The difficulty, which threatened to destroy the efforts of the firemen, was eventually overcome when a European police sergeant of the Aberdeen Station forced open a distribution box and smashed the fuses with a 12-pound hammer.

Main Street in Aplichau presented a desolate spectacle (Continued on Page 4.)



The Japanese forces in Manchuria have suffered severe casualties in engagements in the Chinese region in the past few days. Our photo shows an emergency dressing station on the railway.

PIRACY GUARDS ON CHINA COAST.

C.N.C. APPEAL IN TEST CASE AGAINST CROWN.

RIGHTS AS TAXPAYERS.

London, Jan. 13.
THE China Navigation Company were represented in the Court of Appeal to-day, appealing against the decision of Mr. Justice Rowlatt dismissing their action against the Attorney-General concerning the British Government's right to demand payment for the provision of anti-piracy guards to British ships in Chinese waters.

The China Navigation Company contend that the expense of guarding British ships in Chinese waters with naval and military forces is covered by House of Commons votes, to which they contribute as tax-payers. The Company contend that the Crown is not empowered to claim payment.

The hearing of the appeal, says Reuter was adjourned.

SHOULD SHIPOWNERS PAY?

At the original action, Sir Leslie Scott, K.C., and Mr. Valentine Holmes appeared for the company; the Attorney-General (Sir Wm. Jowitt, K.C.), the Solicitor-General (Sir Stafford Cripps, K.C.), Mr. Wilfrid Lewis and Mr. S. O. Henn Collins for the Crown.

Sir Leslie Scott, K.C., said the action related to the claim of the Crown to compel shipowners to pay for the cost of protecting British shipping in the China seas against piracy. Early in 1930 the Crown decided that after March 31, 1930, guards would only be provided for a limited period on condition that the shipowners paid for the full cost.

His Lordship:—You have had the guards, and the question I have to decide is whether you have to pay for them after that date?

Sir Leslie:—That is the point.

Duty of the Crown.

Sir Leslie Scott, for the company, argued that money paid under protest to a servant of the Crown on demand as an executive officer of the Crown was recoverable at common law. The Crown could not keep money paid in such circumstances. The Crown owed to the individual subject the duty of providing protection, which was the converse of the duty of allegiance which the subject owed to the Crown. The decision to give protection must be taken regardless of any taking of money, and the subject could not be called upon to pay under a contract made in these circumstances.

Such a contract would be void, because it brought into consideration matters which could not be considered.

The Attorney-General (Sir Wm. Jowitt, K.C.) contended that the question of the constitutional right of the subject to protection from the Crown had nothing whatever to do with the case or that the Court. The company

FEDERAL INDIA.

Constitution Builders.

ENTERING ON NEW PHASE.

London, Jan. 13.
The British members of the three special committees appointed in conformity with recommendations of the Round Table Conference are leaving for India to commence their work in a few days.

On the eve of their departure, the Prime Minister has communicated with the chairmen, setting out the terms of reference, the franchise and communal issues being the subject of special stress.

The Marquies of Lothian is Chairman of the Franchise Committee, comprising seven other English members and seven representative Indians, most of whom were members of the recent Round Table Conference.

The Federal Finance Committee, of six members, is under the chairmanship of Lord Eustace Percy, and the Chairman of the States Enquiry Committee, of seven members, is Mr. J. C. C. Davidson, M.P.

It is explained that the States Enquiry Committee, in the course of its tour of the principal centres in the Indian States, will adopt the procedure of selecting representatives of the States in (Continued on Page 4.)

AN IRISH SWEEP CHANGE.

CESAREWITCH FOR NOV. HDCC.

Dublin, Jan. 13.
The Hospital Trust is considering replacing the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake on the Manchester November Handicap by one on the Cesarewitch which is to be run at Newmarket on November 12. *—Reuter's Special Service.*

GOLD STANDARD STRENGTH.

SOUTH AFRICA'S POSITION.

SAFE AND SOUND.

Pretoria, Jan. 13.
South Africa's ability to maintain her currency upon the gold standard is reaffirmed in a statement issued to-day by the Reserve Bank of South Africa. The statement declares that from the viewpoint of the gold held in reserve as cover for currency issues, the Union's exchange resources are fully adequate.

In addition, the Union has retained a substantially favourable trade balance throughout the current depression, and has not been seriously troubled by unbalanced Budgets.

There are, furthermore, no extraordinary maturing foreign long term credits, all of which factors contribute to the maintenance of the gold standard. *—Reuter.*

The Monarch of Doorn Unwell.

Ex-Kaiser Suffering From "Obstinate Bronchitis."

(Reuter's Special Service).

Doorn, Jan. 13.
A medical report issued this evening says that the ex-Kaiser is in no immediate danger, but the greatest care must be taken of the subject, who is now reported to be suffering from "obstinate bronchitis."

SHANGHAI CLUB DRAMA.

DETAILS OF THE TRAGEDY.

WIFE SHOT WHEN IN BED.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Jan. 14.
The inquest on Mr. Sidney Shervington, the steward of the Shanghai Club, who shot himself through the head with a revolver after dinner last night, will be opened to-day.

It appears that Mr. Shervington went to his quarters at the Shanghai Club at about nine o'clock and found his wife in bed.

He suddenly drew a revolver, shot his wife through the calf of her leg, and then turned the weapon upon himself. The bullet pierced his temple and he dropped dead instantaneously.

Mrs. Shervington shouted for the "boy" and made him summon the Second Steward, Mr. Ki D. Karanjia, who arrived in the bedroom to find Shervington lying on the floor twitching spasmodically in a pool of blood.

Police Official on Scene.

He obtained assistance from Captain Baker, the Assistant Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police, who happened to be in the Club at the time of the tragedy.

Mrs. Shervington was conveyed to the General Hospital, but is not in danger.

Formerly in the Hongkong Police Department, or the Prison Department, Mr. Shervington was forty-two years of age. Mrs. Shervington is an American.

REPARATIONS DILEMMA.

AMERICA WILL NOT ATTEND.

Washington, Jan. 13.
Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, disappointed European hopes to-day by announcing that the United States does not expect to send a representative to the Reparations Conference at Lausanne.

It is understood that plans for the Conference were discussed at a meeting of the British Cabinet in London this afternoon.

The Chancellor of Exchequer, who attended was in possession of the Report received from Sir Frederick Loth Ross, of the Treasury, who has returned from Paris after conversations with French Treasury experts on questions concerning the reparations problem. *—British Wireless.*

MORE INCIDENTS IN TSINGTAO.

DAMAGE TO CHINESE PREMISES.

Tsingtao, Jan. 14.
A Japanese mob yesterday raided the premises of a Chinese fishing company and the Chinese Exchange, causing considerable damage. 300 Japanese marines have been patrolling and to avoid any misunderstanding the Chinese Government officials have ordered the Chinese gendarmes to go on patrol unarmed. *—Rensha.*

NO RIDER MAIN SUPPLY.

WATER FROM STREET FOUNTAINS.

It is notified by the Water Authority that as from Saturday, 16th instant, the rider mains in all districts will be closed. A constant supply will, however, be given from street fountains.

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MR. YU YU-JEN COMING HERE.

A CONFERENCE WITH MR. HU HAN-MIN.

Shanghai, Jan. 13.
Mr. Yu Yu-jen, the President of the Control Yuan, left for Hongkong on board the President Jefferson this morning to see Mr. Hu Han-min.—*Reuter.*

[Mr. Yu Yu-jen, representing the Chiang Kai-shek Party in Nanking, is expected to invite Mr. Hu Han-min to proceed to Nanking to administer the Central Political Council in co-operation with Messrs. Chiang Kai-shek and Wang Ching-wei.]

Hongkong Conclave.

Mr. Hu Han-min's conferences with Messrs. C. C. Wu, Feng Chu-wan, Admiral Chan Chak and Commander Chang Wei-chung in Hongkong in the last few days over the Nanking agitation for the immediate abolition of the South-western China Political Council and the Military Council in Canton have produced fruitful results.

The resolution of the Hongkong conferences will be conveyed to the Commander-in-Chief, General Chan Chai-tong, by General Wang Shao-hung and Mr. C. C. Wu, both of whom have since left for Canton. The Southern leaders' acceptance of this recommendation will pave the way for an early settlement of the existing dissensions between Mr. Hu Han-min and Chiang Kai-shek.

Future of Kwangtung.

The Kuomintang Leftist leaders and the representatives of the Chiang Kai-shek Party are loud in their expressions of disapproval over the formation of the semi-independent political and military councils in Canton, and for this reason they have appealed to Mr. C. C. Wu and Admiral Chan Chak urging them to settle the matter with Mr. Hu Han-min.

At these meetings, which were conducted behind closed doors at the residence of Mr. Hu Han-min at Stanley, the reorganisation of the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the drawing up of a line of demarcation between territorial and financial control on the one hand and the aerial and naval forces and the army under General Chan Chai-tong on the other were also discussed.

Meanwhile the disposition of the Maritime Customs' surplus, amounting to over \$2,000,000 a month, which has been commandeered by the southern Government since last May, has also been discussed. Admiral Chan Chak and Commander Chang Wei-chung conveyed the wish of Mr. Sun Fo and the Nanking Government to invite all the leading civilian leaders in Canton to proceed to Nanking with a view to consolidating the political power of the Central Government.

Political Council.

At the conclusion of this series of meetings, Messrs. C. C. Wu and Wang Shao-hung left for Canton to seek the opinion of General Chan Chai-tong. Meanwhile a Canton Government official has made the statement that it is possible the Nanking demand may be accepted in which event the existing political and Military Councils might be abolished and in their place a branch of the Central Political Council might be established.

It is rather interesting to note that a branch Political Council is to be similar in its functions to the Branch Political Council which existed in Canton and met with some success in maintaining harmony between the Canton Government and the Nanking regime at the time of Marshal Li Chai-sum some three years ago.

After the dissolution of the Military Council a Special Military District will be formed in Canton with a similar district in Kwangsi which will be administered by Generals Chan Chai-tong and Li Chung-yeu respectively.

Kuomintang affairs will be directed by a Canton branch executive committee of the Nank-

TAXPAYERS RALLY.

INCOME T.X. RECEIPTS GRATIFY TREASURY.

London, Jan. 13.
The forecasts that the British taxpayer would nobly respond to the patriotic appeal to swell the national income by prompt payment was confirmed by to-night's Treasury returns. These reveal that the Income Tax receipts for the first eight days of January amounted to nearly \$10,000,000 more than for the corresponding period of last year, the total being \$21,353,000, compared with \$11,770,000 for the same eight days of 1931.

The total revenue of the financial year to January 9 was \$431,064,736, against expenditure of \$597,531,415, compared with \$462,432,757 revenue and \$599,797,003 expenditure for the same period of last year.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

The Surplus Receipts.

London, Jan. 13.
Surplus receipts during the first eight working days of this month amounted to more than \$2,000,000 higher than in the same period last year, being \$7,670,000.

The total amount paid in income tax during current financial year is already \$6,700,000 higher than last year's receipts for the same period, April 1 to January 10. The surplus receipts are \$5,870,000 greater. The totals are \$97,825,000 and \$26,270,000, respectively.—*British Wireless.*

SLAVERY PERSISTS.

BAD REPORTS COMING IN FROM LIBERIA.

London, Jan. 13.
The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, yesterday received a delegation of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society, headed by Lord Lytton, who expressed the apprehension which the Society felt at the news of unrest and ruthless repression they continued to receive from Liberia.

The Foreign Secretary entirely concurred in the uneasiness felt by the Society, and undertook that the Government, and he himself, would assist to the best of their power, the deliberations of the committee which the League Council had set up to deal with the question.

Lord Noel Buxton mentioned that the Society had delegated him, at the request of the Emperor of Abyssinia, to proceed shortly to that country to try and assist the Emperor in carrying out his policy for elimination of slavery. While it was made clear that the mission was in no sense official, the Foreign Secretary expressed his sincere wishes for its success.—*British Wireless.*

ing Central Kuomintang Executive Committee.

Mr. Hu Goes To North?

Well informed circles also predict that if the Canton commanders accept the recommendations of the Hongkong conference, Mr. Hu Han-min may go to Nanking. So far Mr. Hu Han-min has declined all invitations to go to Nanking because of the re-election of Chiang Kai-shek in the Central Political Council. The Kuomintang Rightist leader is said to be apprehensive over the possible presence of Chiang Kai-shek in Nanking, in view of the measures the former dictator adopted to enforce his, Hu Han-min's, resignation last year.

CHINA'S PEACE FEELER.

AMERICAN NOTE CAUSES CHANGED ATTITUDE.

Tokyo, Jan. 13.
The American Note has served to delay the opening of direct negotiations between China and Japan, it was stated in authoritative quarters to-day, which revealed that Nanking was making serious gestures towards Japan when the Note was presented.

Mr. Eugene Chen is said to have approached the Japanese Consul General at Shanghai for a statement of Japan's fundamental proposals, as a preliminary step, but promptly ceased overtures on the receipt of the American Note.—*Reuter.*

China's Reply.

Nanking, Jan. 13.
China is ready to co-operate with the United States in upholding the sanctity of the Nine Power Treaty, declares China's reply to the American Note. Pointing out that preservation of China's territorial administrative integrity is a fundamental principle of the Nine Power Treaty, the reply asserts that it is the obligation of every signatory, including Japan, to uphold this principle.

The question of whether or not the sanctity of international treaties is to be upheld, will have a far-reaching effect on future international relations, and if any country be allowed freely to violate treaty stipulations, then the Nine Power and Kellogg pacts, both of which were sponsored by the United States, will not be able to achieve their objects, and the danger of war will continue to exist.

Unless the Nine Power signatories have a sincere intention to uphold the aforementioned principle, the peace of the world would unquestionably be endangered, therefore the signatories, especially the United States, should exert their efforts to translate this principle into substantial fact.

In conclusion the reply hopes the United States will take further measures in upholding the sacred undertaking of the Nine Power Treaty in an effective manner.—*Reuter.*

RIZAL DAY IN MACAO.

FILIPINO COMMUNITY HOLD CELEBRATION.

Macao, Jan. 11.
For the first time in many years the Filipino community of Macao held a most successful celebration in honour of Dr. Jose Rizal, foremost Philippine hero and martyr. The celebration took place at 40 Ferreira Almeida Avenue, on Sunday evening, January 10.

Musical numbers, short speeches about Rizal, and dancing were features of the celebration. Dr. F. M. Jaojoco, president of the Macao Filipino Association, was manager of the affair, and had the support and co-operation of other members of the small community.

Besides a large number of Filipinos, many prominent foreigners, including Spaniards and Portuguese, attended the celebration, which lasted until the early hours of the following morning.—*Contributed.*

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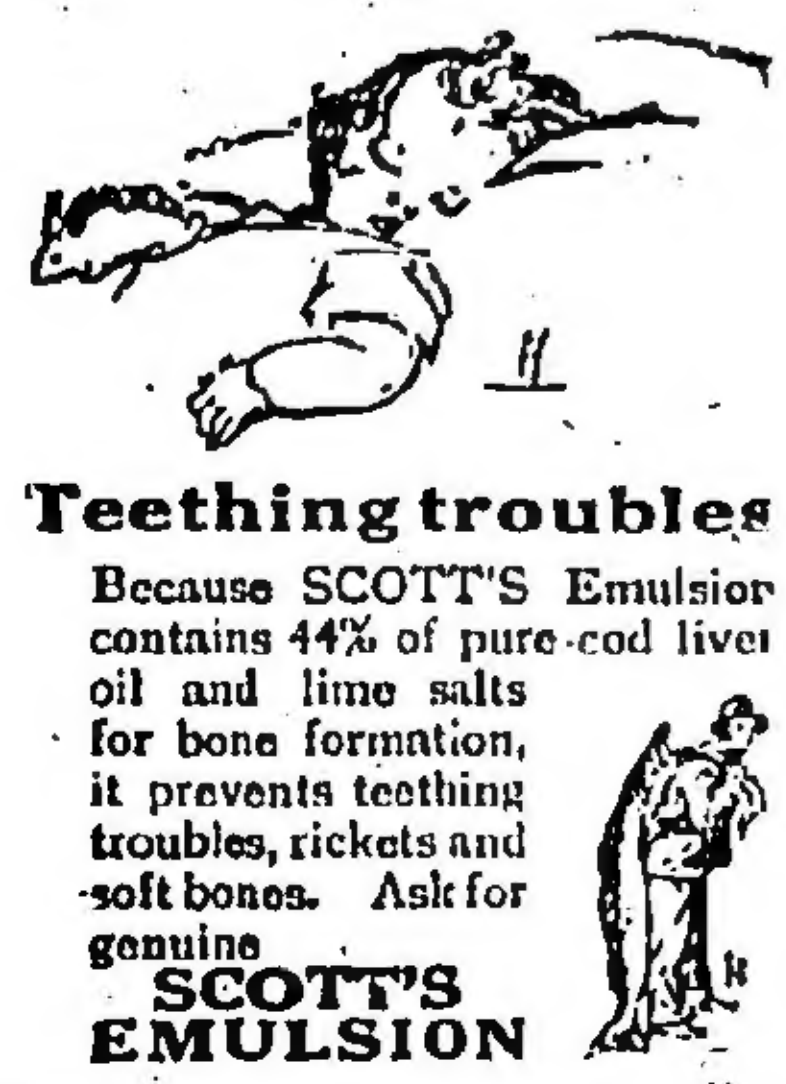


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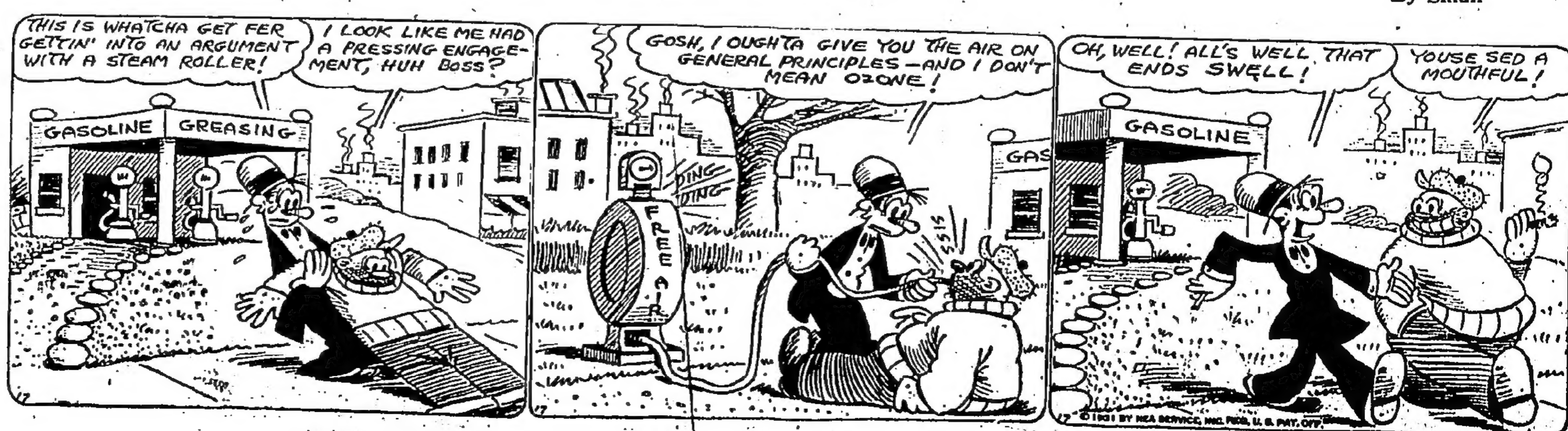
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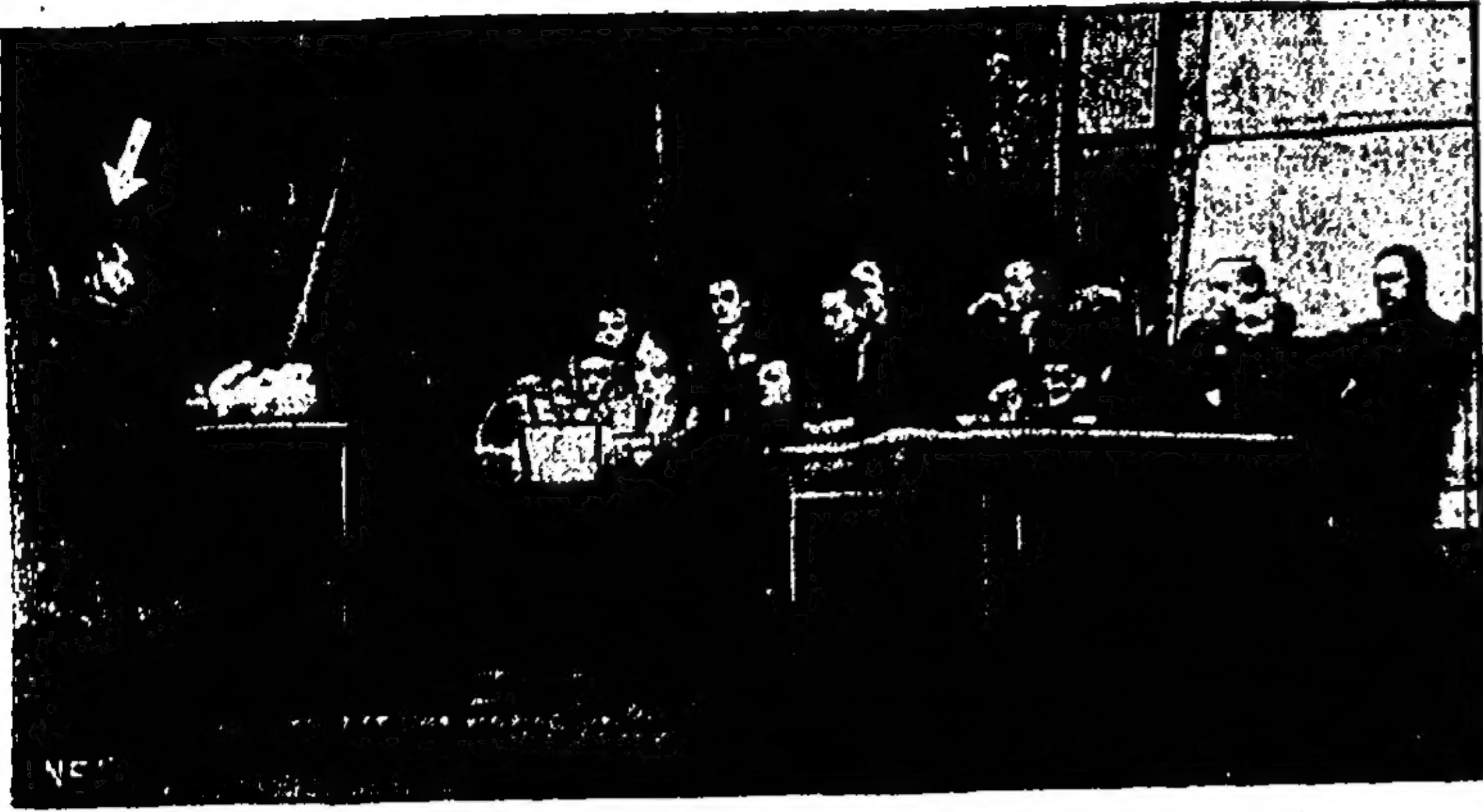
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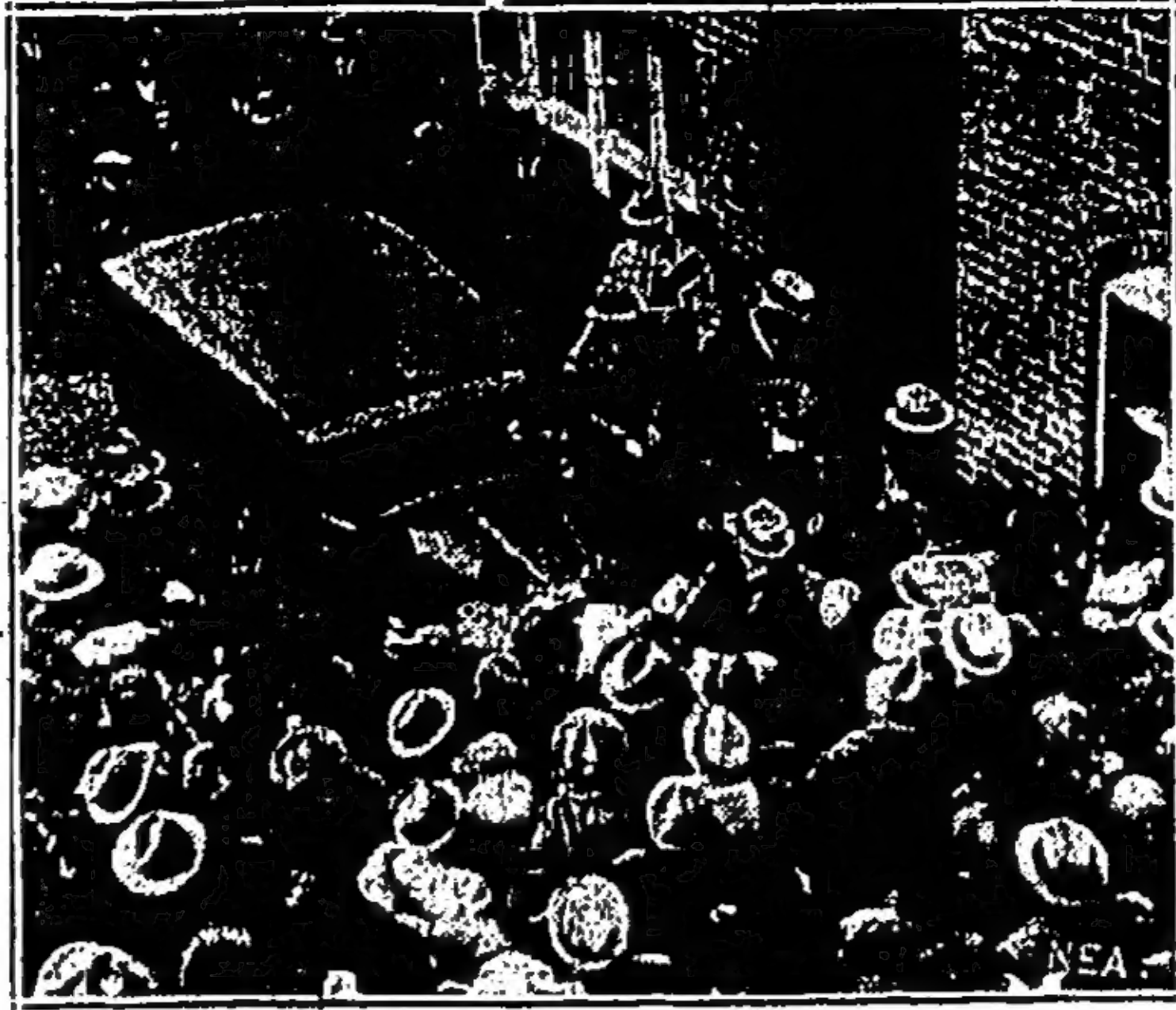
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TRIAL OF AMERICA'S BLUEBEARD: WOMAN CRITIC OF MAHATMA GANDHI.



A picture of the "courtroom" scene in the theatre at Clarksburg, where Harry Powers, the "West Virginia bluebeard," was tried for murder amid stage fixtures which had often formed the setting for mysterious make-believe tragedies. Powers is indicated by the arrow. He is facing the jury, court stenographer and attorneys.



Part of the crowd which fought for a glimpse of the West Virginia "bluebeard," when the man found guilty of the murder of five women was brought back from lunch to the Clarksburg theatre where his trial was held.



Unshaken by the jury's verdict that he must die on the gallows, Powers is shown right, with Sheriff W. C. Grimm in the sheriff's car as he went to the county jail at Clarksburg after being found guilty of first degree murder.



The jury in the murder trial of Powers, confessed perpetrator of five "love murders," is shown leaving the theatre at Clarksburg, a State trooper preceding them. The trial was transferred to the theatre to accommodate the crowds.

Gems of Peril

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BEGIN HERE TODAY.

Mary Harkness plans to catch the fly, who she believes "framed" her brother, Eddie, with the murder of old Mrs. Simpson, and later saw Eddie down and killed him to keep him from talking. She is aided by Brown of the Star, Mary's fiancé, Dick Ruyter, and his family object to the publicity. They believe Eddie guilty, as do the police. The case is dropped. Bruce Jupiter, about thirty years, returns from Europe with a woman friend. His father orders him out and makes Mary his help. Bruce swears to find Mary, who he thinks is a gold-digger. Dick forbids Mary to continue the investigation, refusing to believe in the evidence of the fly. He tells Mary that people are repeating Bruce's charges and says if she goes to Miami on the Jupiter yacht, as she plans, he will also believe them. Mary goes, seeking the fly, whose name is running at Hines' room. Dick shows attention to his former sweetheart, Corinda Taylor, who is trying to win him. The Countess, Bruce's friend, intrudes in the friend, Count De Loma. De Loma is the name of the owner of the Jupiter boat.

CHAPTER XXIV

Mary tried to speak from a dry throat but could not. She merely nodded. She must get hold of herself, she thought wildly, or she would give the whole thing away. What was it George Brown had said? "Now's your big moment, Gloria Swanson, do your stuff." She relaxed smiling a little.

De Loma drew up a chair at the Countess' urgent invitation. He said reprovingly, "All that is past, Louise. There are no titles in America remember." Was there a warning in his tone? Mary could have sworn his words were more significant than they appeared.

Mr. Jupiter ate his dinner, paying no attention to the conversation. Thank God, thought Mary, he doesn't suspect. Now if I can only be sure of myself.

But De Loma was not looking at her. After the first swift glance—did she imagine it or had his eyes strayed to her throat involuntarily seeking the necklace?—he gave his attention to the Countess, chatting with her in a manner at once reserved and intimate. Mary looked at Bruce to see how he was taking it. He was calm enough. No trace of jealousy there, at least, apparent to the eye.

The music started and with one accord the two stood up and danced away, almost forgetting to excuse themselves in their absorption. The Countess was anxious to get De Loma away, or so it seemed. Bruce immediately turned to Mary and they followed the others to the dance floor.

Mary's thoughts were racing. Once she thought of throwing the whole thing on Bruce's shoulders. "There is the man who killed your mother!" Bruce would be equal to the emergency; he would know what to do. And she could run away and hide, where this trembling of the knees would not threaten to conquer her at any minute! If Bruce had been a wife more approachable she might actually have done it. By this frozen calm of his was more than she could break through.

There was no doubt in her mind that it was the same man she had seen at Shay's. She would know him anywhere. The same smooth, yellow skin, the same jet black

hair, the bold, black eyes, so curiously unsmiling. It was disconcerting to meet his stare there was something rapacious, inhuman about it.

And this other puzzle, of his acquaintance with the Countess. Where had these two known each other? The Countess was making her first visit to America, ostensibly, and Mary knew definitely that America had been the scene of operations of the fly for several years past, at least. Was the Countess another whom he had taken in at some time or other? Or was she, as the astute Bates asserted, a criminal herself?

Mary resolutely put these thoughts aside lest they show in her face as she and Bruce returned to the table. The Countess had lost her strained look and was gay, even coquettish again.

Mary stabbed at the frozen fruits in her eye unseeing. She was so absorbed that it disconcerted her when she glanced up and saw her table companions all looking at her. She looked around at them rather wildly, frightened at having been caught off guard.

"What is it?" she asked.

The Countess lowered her eyes. "Enrique was merely saying that you look exquisite!" she murmured throatily. "Not at all the jeune fille. It is perhaps the dress? Remarkable, the flair for dress the young American working woman possesses. By day, the grub, slaving away at the typewriting machine . . . at night, voila! She is a butterfly, dressed like a queen! Amazing!"

The scratch was in that, as usual, but Mary was saved from replying when De Loma, suddenly leaning forward on his arms, asked bluntly: "Haven't we met before?"

It was a challenge, but its swift, nervous found Mary ready to meet it. "You were at Shay's, weren't you?" She laughed, as at an irresistible memory. "If I'd known then—"

"Known? Known what?" Mary looked straight at him with just the right degree of wide-eyed innocence.

"Why, that you were a count, of course!" She held her lower lip with her teeth, as if to control her amusement. "We thought you were a—you know—a racketeer! We practically ran from the place. Didn't you notice it?"

The bendy black eyes did not change expression. As they bored into hers, seeming to probe her very soul for guile, Mary met them steadily, unwaveringly. (If he were scared off now . . . if he didn't believe her . . . Her heart almost stopped for a moment of terrible suspense.)

The innocent confusion that showed in her face apparently satisfied him, for he broke into a grin, and turned to the Countess to speak of something else. The music began again, a dreamy tango

this time and to Mary's surprise De Loma abruptly turned back to her again and asked her to dance.

Her heart plunged once, then began to thump madly. She felt quite cold and numb but somehow she got to her feet, lifted her arms to him. Then, incredibly, she was moving off with him, his arm about her, her hand in his. It was horrible. She, Mary Harkness, in the arms of this murderer, this thief! For one awful instant she felt her knees give way under her. Then she was dancing, she felt the beat of the music, she wrenched her mind away and kept it away from the man beside her. Gradually the black, dizzy whirlpool before her eyes cleared.

He danced beautifully . . . better than any man she had ever danced with. There was something sinuously graceful about him, a little sureness that must be his Latin heritage. She had never danced so well in her life, that was certain.

A quick spatter of applause broke out as they finished. Looking about in surprise, Mary saw that they were almost the only couple on the floor. The others had moved away to make room for them. It was impossible not to be pleased. As she walked back to their table, she felt sure of herself. Those treacherous feelings were well under control now; the admiration of all those people, even though she knew it was not due to her directly, but rather to De Loma's extraordinary skill as a partner, had infected her with just the feeling of confidence she needed. She was sure now that she could play the game out to the finish, unafraid of De Loma or anyone else. The worst was over.

Mr. Jupiter beamed upon her and Bruce applauded mildly. "Excellent!" he felicitated them both. "You should really be in the cinema."

Mary laughed, good-humoredly. "We're considering it."

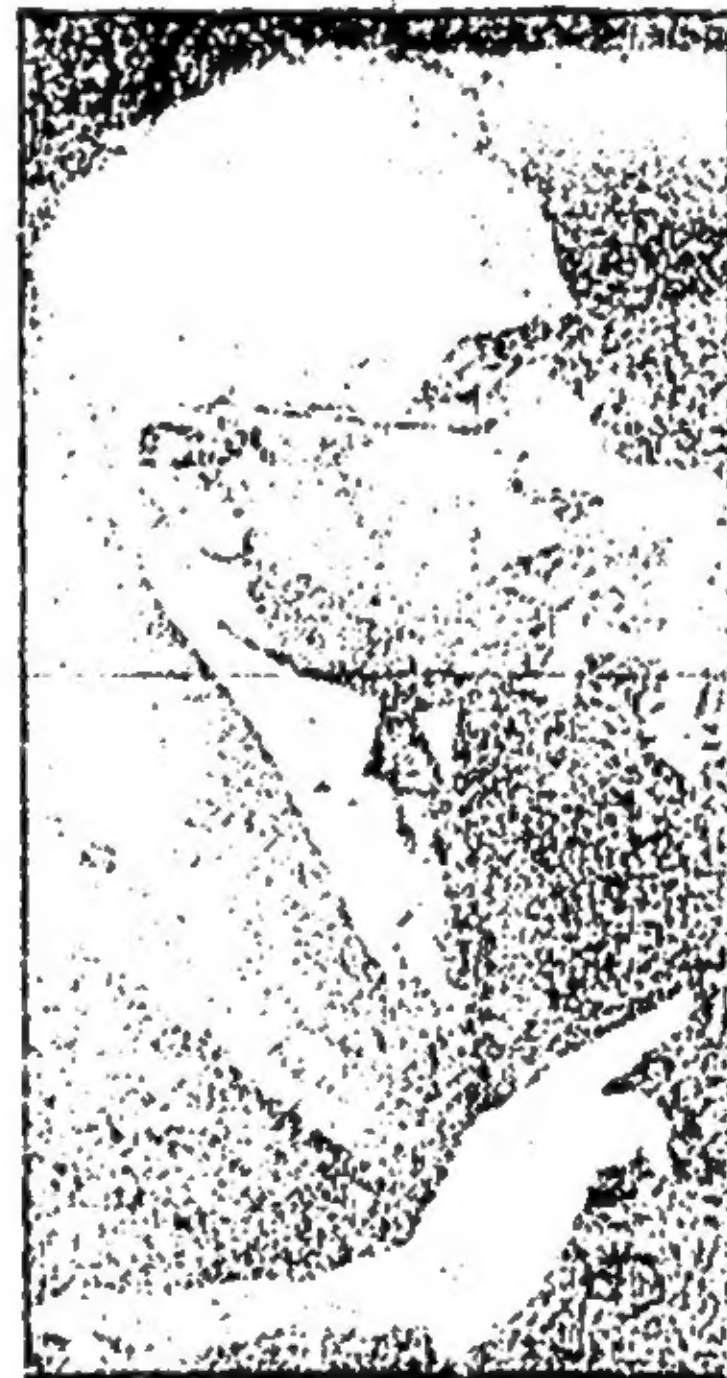
The Countess was twisting bread between restless fingers, affecting an indifference Mary knew she was far from feeling.

"Yes, you make a very well-matched pair," the older woman observed dryly. And only Mary, perhaps, was fully alive to the venomous implications of that remark.

But she had no time to waste in resentment of Louise's cattiness; she was wondering how soon she could manage to leave without arousing De Loma's suspicion. He seemed to have joined the party permanently. Just why, she did not know.

But the Countess made it easy for her. She pressed a headache. "From watching those silly horses," Bruce remarked. "Never again for me!"

"You should have worn glasses," De Loma chided her, taking a pair



Spain's new president, Senor Alcalá Zamora, a farmer's son who rose to be the "father of the Spanish republic," is shown here in a characteristic speaking pose.



Miss Cornelia Sorabji, the first woman to become an attorney in India, caused a sensation in Congress circles by declaring that Gandhi is nothing more than a publicized opportunist.

of coloured lenses from his pocket and offering them to her. "You will need these if you are here long. The sunlight is very strong."

So that was how she had misread him, Mary decided. He face was half hidden with the glasses on; and it was his eyes that one could not mistake—as black and soulless as marble.

"Give them to Miss Harkness," the Countess grumbled. "She is the one who takes us there. She likes the races; I do not."

"You like racing?" De Loma asked quickly, looking sharply at the girl.

Mary shrugged. "It is a famous track, and I had never seen a race. I don't like it much, no. Why should I? I bet on the horse every one says will win, and he falls down. I have hardly the luck to make a racing enthusiast, should you say?"

"Ah, the clumsy fool!" De Loma exclaimed before she had finished. Plainly it enraged him merely to remember the afternoon's debacle. "She's a jinx, that horse. She always brings me bad luck. Well, she won't any more, damn her!"

"Why don't you change her name?" Bruce suggested indifferently. "Sometimes that helps."

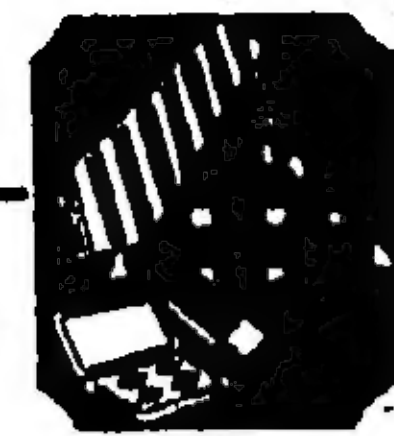
Mary knew the remark was innocent but he held her breath. De Loma might not take it so. She began to regret that Bruce had not been taken into confidence about the identity of the man they were after. Fearful of Bruce's headstrong impulsiveness, she and Mr. Jupiter had decided to keep the

essential facts from the younger man for a while. But he could hardly have made a more unfortunate remark if he had really intended to. And as if that were not enough, he blundered on: "La Moseca! Why, that's—"

Quickly, desperately, Mary set her French-heeled slipper on his foot and stepped—hard. Bruce looked at her angrily, his mouth open to protest—but something in her face stopped him fortunately.

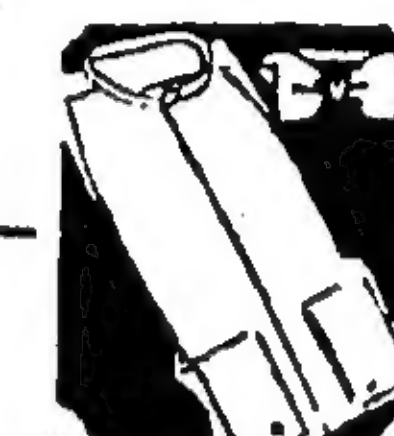
"Yes, yes!" she tensed, in loud, brother-and-sister style, "that's the (Continued on Page 11.)"

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NOTICE.

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Sunday, 17th January, 1932.
First Race at 1.15 p.m.

Admission:—
To Members' Enclosure \$1.00.
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Members MUST show their badges to gain admittance. Members can obtain 2 ladies' badges free on application to the Secretary.
Tickets can be procured at the Race Course.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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HERO REWARDED BY KING.

A story of wonderful gallantry in a furnace pit filled with scalding steam is told in the *London Gazette*.

The *Gazette* announces that the King has awarded the Edward Medal to William James Rudd, a charge hand in the ferrous metal department at the works of the Whitecross Company, Ltd., at Warrington.

Two labourers, named Meakin and Nock, descended an iron ladder to the furnace pit, which is 6 ft. 6 in. below the floor level and entirely covered by grating except at the point of descent. They had been instructed to slack the furnace fires.

Meakin allowed red hot coke to fall into the water sump under the furnace, filling the pit with steam.

Unknown Danger.

Hearing screams, Rudd rushed to the grating and found Nock on the ladder. He pulled him to the surface and then descended the ladder. He grabbed Meakin's arm, only to find the skin come away in his hand. He succeeded, however, in getting Meakin up the ladder. Meakin and Nock died from injuries caused by the first rush of steam. The *Gazette* points out that when Rudd descended the pit he had no means of estimating his danger.

G. R. NOTICE.

Hong Kong Water Supply.

It is hereby notified that Rider Main in all district will be closed on Saturday, 16th January, 1932.

A constant supply from street fountains will be maintained from that date.

HAROLD T. CREAMY,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 14th January, 1932.

G. R. NOTICE.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of January, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Wong Nei Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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PAGEANTRY AT CAIRO.

KING FUAD OPENS PARLIAMENT.

Cairo, Dec. 17.
This morning King Fuad opened Parliament with the customary pomp and ceremony.

The police arrangements were excellent; the streets from the Abdin Palace to the Parliament Houses were lined by Egyptian troops, and no disturbances were caused by Watfads or others. In a gilded coach, drawn by eight bay horses, were King Fuad and Sidsky Pasha, the Prime Minister, whose arrival was greeted enthusiastically inside the Chamber.

The High Commissioner and the Diplomatic Corps, in ceremonial uniform, were in the galleries, a conspicuous group being the Crown Prince of Abyssinia and his suite, picturesque in white silk trousers and capes of blue and purple, with bright coloured sashes.

Speech Broadcast.
For the first time the speech from the Throne was broadcast by trunk lines to microphones at Alexandria.

The speech was read by Sidsky Pasha. It described the numerous measures taken or projected by the Cabinet for ameliorating the internal conditions of the country, of which the principal items were the Government's schemes to assist the fellahin in their financial troubles, to deal with unemployment, and to study seriously the project of the Gebel Aulia Dam in the Soudan.

As regards foreign countries, Sidsky Pasha said: "The Government is happy in maintaining cordial relations with foreign countries, and especially with Great Britain. We hope the moment will shortly arrive when questions in suspense between the British Government and ourselves will receive an honourable solution, linking the bonds of cordial friendship between the British and Egyptian peoples and allowing Egypt to achieve its independence."

It is interesting to note that Ahmed Ziver Pasha, an ex-Prime Minister, who signed the Wafd manifesto against the new Constitution last May, has now been nominated Senator, thereby agreeing to support Sidsky Pasha's policy.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

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FEDERAL INDIA.

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conference, with a view to a common discussion of the questions involved, before drafting their report.

Effective Touch.

The Prime Minister has nominated seven of the States delegates and thirteen British Indian delegates to the Round Table Conference to be members of the Consultative Committee under the chairmanship of the Governor-General, as deputy for himself.

It is the Government's intention that the Conference should be kept in being through this working committee, with which, through the Governor-General, His Majesty's Government would keep in effective touch.

It is intention of the Government that this working committee of the Conference should be brought into effective consultation on the recommendations of the three committees named before final conclusions are adopted by the Government. Besides this, it will participate in such constructive work, in pursuance of the general policy, as can be undertaken independently.

Terms of Reference.

The terms of reference of the three committees, which will sail from Madras on Friday, are set out in letters to their Chairmen.

In a letter to Lord Lathom, the Prime Minister says:—"To your Committee the Government look for complete and detailed proposals on which to base the revision of the franchise and the arrangement of constituencies for the new Legislatures, Central and Provincial, which are to form part of the Constitution."

"The Government hope the committee will be in a position so to frame their proposals as to present a complete and detailed scheme for the composition of each of the Provincial Legislatures and of the Federal Legislature."

"The principle of a responsible Federal Government, subject to certain safeguards, has been accepted by the Government, while it has been decided that the Governors' Provinces are to become responsible, as enjoying the greatest possible measure of freedom from outside interference and dictation, in carrying out their own policies in their own sphere."

Wider Electorate.

"In these circumstances, it clearly necessary so to widen the electorate that the Legislatures to which responsibility is to be entrusted should be representative of the general mass of the population, and that no important section of the community may lack measures of expressing its needs and its opinions."

"It is the wish of the Government that your Committee should consider, in the first place, what extension of the franchise for the Legislatures is desirable, and the possibility of supplementing direct representation by a system of group representation or otherwise; and your enquiry will doubtless be so conducted as to elicit information which will enable you to frame proposals for electorates, constituencies and methods of election that are required to produce a Federal Legislature of the type indicated in the third report of the Federal Structure Committee."

The letter reviews various suggestions of the Franchise Subcommittee regarding qualification for the franchise, means for securing more adequate enfranchisement of women, effective representation of labour and of the depressed classes.

Communal Problem.

On the communal question, the letter says:—"The Government are deeply anxious that the settlement should be by agreement amongst the communities themselves. Meanwhile, in so far as the absence of such assumption would preclude you from arriving at a conclusion, the Government desire your Committee to proceed on the assumption that separate communal electorates will continue to form a feature of the new Constitution."

In his letter to Lord Percy, the Prime Minister says:—"By far the most important task of your Committee will be to subject to the test of figures the suggested classification of revenues, and to estimate the probable financial position of the Federal and of the Provincial Governments under the proposed scheme, and to advise as to the adjustments, if any, which should equally be made between the Federal Government and the Province."

Federal Finance.

In his letter to Mr. Davidson, the Prime Minister says the ideal system of Federal finance would be one under which all Federal units would contribute on a uniform basis to Federal resources. The task of the Committee is, briefly, to determine

DISASTROUS FIRE AT APLICHAU.

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this morning. No less than fourteen buildings were completely gutted, these including the biggest grocery store in the village, two druggist shops, two hardware and two joss paper shops. No. 126, the last of this block—a timber and ship yard—was severely damaged.

Splendid Work.

After some three hours of gallant fighting against terrific odds, the firemen succeeded in quelling the blaze, but it was not until 11 o'clock this morning that the fire float was able to leave, though practically all the danger had passed by 4.30 a.m.

The fire has rendered over twenty Chinese families homeless. It is estimated that damage running into thousands of dollars is involved by the destructive blaze, though no actual figures are yet available.

The work of the fire brigade calls for commendation. Though assisted by a plentiful supply of water, they had first to contend with the electric currents which presented not only a hindrance, but a positive danger, while so strong was the hold gained by the flames, that only ceaseless toiling prevented the whole village from becoming involved. As it was, a number of matchboxes lying behind houses No. 115 to 125, became ignited and were totally destroyed.

THE CAMERA DOES NOT LIE.

FALSE START DISPROVED BY PHOTOGRAPHS.

The inclusion of some cinematograph photographs in the annual report of the Achilles Athletic Club, just published, shows how mistaken onlookers can be on the question as to whether a race has been well or badly started.

Eight pictures are reproduced showing the first four steps taken by the competitors in the 100 yards race decided at Stamford Bridge during the match between Oxford and Cambridge and Harvard and Yale last July. It was generally thought on the occasion that J. D. Wade (Cambridge) was left at the post, while E. W. G. Goodwillie (Oxford) slightly "beat the gun."

The second photograph, however, shows the smoke issuing from the starter's pistol and the runners still in the positions they held at the command "Get set."

The third and fourth pictures show clearly that the runners were level throughout the first step, but in the second, third and fourth steps Wade is behind his rivals, while Goodwillie has a slight lead on the fourth step.

There are more than 450 members of the Achilles Club, 80 per cent. of whom have been elected for life. No other club in the world can claim so many Olympic competitors and champions.

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Lord Derby has decided to dispose of Derby House, Stratford-place, W., and has instructed Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley to act on his behalf and to offer the property by private treaty.

Derby House stands at the head of Stratford-place, which is a cul-de-sac on the north side of Oxford street.

Towards the end of last year it was proposed to pull down some of the buildings in Stratford-place to make a new road to assist in relieving traffic congestion. The new road was to have taken the traffic past the front of Derby House.

Lord Derby, in recent years, has disposed of large portions of his estates, owing, he has stated, to the burden of taxation.

Sir Howard Frank, of Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley, stated: "I know nearly all the fine houses in London, and I should have no hesitation in describing Derby House as the finest and most dignified of them all."

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The public are hereby notified that under the Regulations of the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance all wireless licences issued during 1931 expired on December 31st and are therefore due for renewal. Application for new Ground Floor, P. & O. Building, Des Voeux Rd. Central. The classes of licences and the fees therefor are as follows:—

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PARCEL MAIL.
The Public are hereby warned that in view of the passing of the Abnormal Importations Customs Duties Act, no guarantee can be given that any parcel will not be subject to Customs duty on arrival in the United Kingdom. The system of prepayment of Customs duties in this office is cancelled until further notice except as regards parcels of silk or of under the value of 25/- or its equivalent in dollars at the rate of the day. It will however be necessary in these cases to make a deposit against duty equal in amount to the declared value of the Parcel.
Definite information will be published in the Mail Notices directly it is received.
Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed.

From	INWARD MAILS.	Per	Date
Straits	Alipore	.....	January 14.
Australia and Manila	Kitano Maru	.....	January 15.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers)	London, 17th December	.....	.....
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 26th December)	Pres. Jefferson	.....	January 15.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 24th December)	Karmala	.....	January 15.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	.....	January 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Kutsum	.....	January 18.
Japan and Shanghai	Porthos	.....	January 19.
Saigon	Athos II.	.....	January 20.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 2nd January)	Emp. of Canada	.....	January 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakozaki Maru	.....	January 22.
Straits	Haruna Maru	.....	January 22.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 26th Dec.)	Pres. Monroe	.....	January 21.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 1st January)	Pres. McKinley	.....	January 25.
For	OUTWARD MAILS.	Per	Date and Time
Swatow	Hydrangea	.....	Thurs., Jan. 14, 3 p.m.
Bangkok	Graciosa	.....	Thurs., Jan. 14, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Kiangchow	.....	Thurs., Jan. 14, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Fook On	.....	Thurs., Jan. 14, 4 p.m.
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Talping	.....	Fri., Jan. 15.
Japan	Parcels	.....	Jan. 15, 6 p.m.
Amoy	Reg.	.....	Jan. 15, 9.45 a.m.
Pakhot	Letters	.....	Jan. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	(Due Thursday Island, 26th Jan.)	.....	.....
Holhow, Pakhot and Haiphong	Kitano Maru	.....	Fri., Jan. 15, 9.30 a.m.
Japan	Talumba	.....	Fri., Jan. 15, 10 a.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Nanchang	.....	Fri., Jan. 15, 10 a.m.
	Haiyang	.....	Fri., Jan. 15, 1 p.m.
	Kingyuan	.....	Fri., Jan. 15, 3.30 p.m.
	Kashmir	.....	Fri., Jan. 15, 6 p.m.
	Registration	.....	Fri., Jan. 15.
	Letters	.....	.....
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Karmala	Sat., Jan. 16.
	K.P.O.
	Parcels	16th, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	16th, 9 a.m.
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Straits and Calcutta	Yuenang	Sat., Jan. 16.
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Holhow and Bangkok	Kwaiyuan	Sat., Jan. 16, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Changchow	Sat., Jan. 16, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	.....	Sat., Jan. 16, 4.30 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	.....	Sun., Jan. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	.....	Sun., Jan. 17, 9 a.m.
Japan	Tyndareus	.....	Mon., Jan. 18, 1.30 p.m.
Straits	Agapenor	.....	Mon., Jan. 18, 2.30 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., *C. and *S. America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Hiye Maru	Mon., Jan. 18.
	Registration
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Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Hiye Maru	Tues., Jan. 19.
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Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., *C. and *S. America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Hiye Maru	Tues., Jan. 19.
	Registration	.....	.....
	Letters	.....	.....
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa and *Europe via Marseilles	Porthos	Tues., Jan. 19.
	K.P.O.
	Registration	19th 10 a.m.
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	G.P.O.
	Registration	19th 11.45 a.m.
	Letters	19th 12.30 p.m.
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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Tues., Jan. 19, 1 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. and S. America and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia	Pres. Jackson	Tues., Jan. 19.
	Parcels	.....	.....
	Registration	.....	.....
	Letters	.....	.....
Amoy	Kutsang	.....	Tues., Jan. 19, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Sandviken	.....	Tues., Jan. 19, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hector	.....	Tues., Jan. 19.
	K.P.O.	.....	.....
	Registration	.....	19th 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	.....	19th 4.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	.....	.....
	Registration	.....	19th 5 p.m.
	Letters	.....	19th 6 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 18th February)	.....	.....
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Athos II	.....	Wed., Jan. 20, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Jan. 22, 2 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Fri., Jan. 22, 3.30 p.m.

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MARRIAGE.

HOFF-STANLEY. On Tuesday, 12th January, 1932, at St. Joseph's Church, Stewart Hope, of Greenock, to Evelyn Constance Stanley, Elms Road, London.

BIRTH.

CLEMO. On 13th January, 1932, at Victoria Hospital, to Elizabeth (Nee Tolan) wife of F. C. Clemo, a daughter.

DEATH.

REMEDIOS. Vasco Luiz des Remedios, at 3.10 a.m., on 14th January, 1932, at Canossa Hospital. Aged 57. Funeral will pass the monument at 5.30 p.m. today 14th January, 1932.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1932.

WHAT BRITAIN HAS
DONE FOR INDIA.

There is something intensely arresting in the fact that, at a moment when Britain's fair name is being vilified by misguided Indian nationalists, there should be given a further demonstration, in the opening of the Lloyd Barrage at Sukkur, of the immense benefits which British rule has brought to the Indian people. This mammoth undertaking will bring untold wealth to the agricultural classes and immensely improve the lot of the teeming masses of the Indian peasantry. It is yet another link in a great chain, reinforcing the tremendous achievements of the past. The story of what has been accomplished in this way reads like a romance; Lord Curzon himself once declared that he had found the report of the Commission on Irrigation, which he had set up, "infinitely more interesting than a novel."

But it is not alone in regard to irrigation projects that the British connexion has been so immensely beneficial to the people of India. It is the success of British administrators, both military and civil, in bringing so vast a territory, inhabited by so many and such diverse races, under a just and orderly administration that history will assuredly regard as the outstanding achievement of Britain's work in Asia. For, as the Marquis of Zetland has well pointed out, it is by the labours of her administrators, her judges, her educationists, her sanitarians and her engineers that the contrast between the India of to-day and the India of two centuries ago has been effected. And what a contrast it is! It is scarcely too much to say that to-day there is not an acre of British India—a territory more than a dozen times as large as the United Kingdom—over which the fine-spun web of the Administration has not been cast. From the point of view of

the teeming masses of the country that alone is a matter of capital importance. It means that there is not a field, however small, belonging to the humblest villager, which is not recorded in an official document, and for the possession of which he has not that legal security which was so conspicuous for its absence from the picture of the India of two centuries ago. But great as the task of the administrative officials has been it represents only one aspect of the work of organisation for which the British have been responsible. The land has been covered with a network of railways, already over 50,000 in extent, over which no fewer than 623 million passengers have been carried in the course of a single year. Posts and telegraphs have been set up by whose agency letters are carried expeditiously, at the cost of a penny only, from one end of this huge area to another. Great industries have been built up by British enterprise and with the aid of British capital which have added greatly to the resources of the peasantry. The tea industry is a case in point. Nearly 750,000 acres are now under cultivation, the value of tea exports approximating to £25,000,000 a year. Even more remarkable are the statistics of the jute industry. While in this case the fibre is cultivated by the peasantry, its manufacture for commercial use is almost entirely in British hands. There are in Calcutta and its neighbourhood nearly a hundred mills having an authorised capital of £16,000,000 and employing no fewer than 330,000 hands. Some idea of what the creation of this industry has meant to the villagers of Bengal and Assam may be gathered from the fact that the crop for a year is worth well over £100,000,000.

And so we could go on indicating the immense benefits which British rule has brought to India. Courts of law, from village benches up to the High Courts of Judicature, have been established, while law itself, both civil and criminal, has been codified and accorded the place of honour which it occupies in all modern civilised States. Schools and universities have been created; plague, famine and pestilence have been and are being fought; and in a thousand other ways have untold benefits been brought to the people. The record is one of which Britain may well be proud. The pity is that so many of those who, but for British rule, would be wallowing in ignorance and poverty, fail to admit a debt which can never be repaid.

That Private Peak Party.

Having had a week in which to meditate upon the problem of what constitutes a public entertainment, Mr. Schofield yesterday dismissed the summonses against Pathe Orient arising from the cinema film fire in a private house on the Peak. It might be accurately stated, for information, that the general public, so frequently mentioned in the course of the proceedings, had dismissed the proceedings as ridiculous from the start. The weaknesses in the case for the prosecution were glaring. In the first place, it seemed strange, to people inclined to be intolerant of the ambiguities of legal phraseology, that Pathe Orient could be regarded as in any way responsible for an incident occurring upon premises over which they had no control. Secondly, by what stretch of imagination, or Ordinance, it was asked, could a cinema show as a diversion for a private children's party be held to be a public performance? The presence of a couple of workmen and an amah or two, was the best the police could manage in justification of the attempt to extend the provisions of the Ordinance, to meet the circumstances. Had a conviction been secured, nothing could be private to the public, in their own homes or in those of others. Law enforcement officers could place their own interpretation upon every type of legislation. The very title of

DAY BY DAY

I HAVE SEEN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS CONVULSED WITH RAILERY WHICH, IN OTHER SOCIETY, WOULD INFALLIBLY SETTLE THE RAILER TO BE A NOBE BEYOND ALL TOLERANCE. —Diarrh.

The P. and O. s.s. Alipore is due here at 6 p.m. to-morrow.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is central near Shanghai, moving east.

Among the passengers who left for Shanghai by s.s. Aeneas to-day were Major-General J. W. Sandilands, Mr. F. E. Gowan, O. B. E., and Lieut. J. B. Glegg.

The Chinese play to be given by girls of the Bellios Public School at the Helena May Institute takes place on the 21st instant at 6.30 p.m., and not the 21st, as stated yesterday.

According to a report made to the police by Leung Shun, a motor driver, a Chinese boy was knocked down outside Ho Tung Buildings in Queen's Road yesterday and received a fractured left leg.

Said to have been knocked down by a motor car in Des Voeux Road yesterday afternoon, a man named Chan Kwai, aged 44, of 149, Third Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from a fractured leg.

About 4 p.m. yesterday, the Kowloon Fire Brigade received a call from Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road. On arrival at the hotel it was found that a small fire had broken out in room No. 14, and had been extinguished by the servants in the hotel before any serious damage was done.

Flying the flag of Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, Commander-in-Chief, H.M.S. Kent left Hongkong this morning for the usual winter cruise to the Malay Archipelago. The first port of call is Singapore, where the cruiser will remain for six days. The Kent will then visit Batavia and Manila, returning to Hongkong on February 19.

"He was describing circles in Hennessy Road," stated the prosecuting police officer in a case before Mr. Schofield this morning when a Chinese youth was charged with dangerously driving a push bicycle. Defendant pleaded that he was waiting for a friend, and thought to while the time away by the performance. He was fined \$9.

the Ordinance, "to consolidate the law relating to places of public entertainment," should have been sufficient warning that exceptional circumstances must exist to permit it to cover happenings in a private house. In bringing the case, of course, the I.G.P. merely acted in what he believed to be the public interest. Blazing cinema films create dangerous fumes apart from the threat to premises not properly protected. Occurring when children are present, a similar fire on another occasion may have serious consequences. We have every sympathy with the police in efforts to overcome the difficulties associated with private shows of this kind, but that and approving the method are different things entirely. If additional legislation is thought necessary, let it be introduced, though we doubt whether it can be done without vexatious interference.



"I just learn enough of the words so my face will look right when the rest of you sing."

A WAY TO END
—By—DEPRESSION.

Sir JOSEPH DAVIES.

[Sir Joseph Davies, for many years one of the leading business men of South Wales, has a distinguished record of public service. During the war he represented Wales on the Cabinet Committee for the Prevention of Unemployment, was secretary of the Prime Minister's Secretariat in 1917-1920, and a member of the War Cabinet's Delegation to America in 1918.]

YEARS ago a great statesman urged us to "learn to think imperially." To-day I would like to paraphrase his words and say to everyone concerned with the welfare of world trade: "Learn to think internationally."

Let us look at the world. What do we find? Trade depression everywhere and unemployed by the million. While there is this trade depression in other countries, how can we hope to sell them goods of British manufacture?

Clearly if they cannot sell their goods they will have no money to buy ours, and that is why I say that in attempting to deal with the World Crisis we must think internationally.

Our Export Trade.

In Great Britain we have just placed in power a Government charged with correcting our adverse trade balance and with the betterment of industry. The depreciation of the £ as a result of our abandonment of the Gold Standard, by itself or in conjunction with tariffs and other legislative methods, may effect a decrease in our imports and an increase in our exports.

But is that enough; will it achieve what is essential for lasting prosperity?

Examine the position it will create. British trade will benefit, inasmuch as Great Britain will get a bigger share of what trade there is, and we already know there is not enough to go round. That means that other nations, our potential customers, will be unable to sell their goods and therefore will have still less money wherewith to continue buying ours.

Now take another look at the world, and see it as I see it. All over the British Empire, in Europe, in America, in the East, in fact everywhere, there is one demand—development.

A Changed World.

That means the opening out of new countries or areas and the building up of cities and urban centres. It includes work brought about by the changes in the ways and needs of mankind, such as the substitution of mechanical for horse traction, the internal combustion engine for the steam engine, the use of electricity for power and light; the aeroplane—wireless.

Work is waiting for the world's workless, and renewed prosperity for every industrial country is just round the corner, if only the necessary capital were available. Think and act internationally, I say, and provide that capital; re-active industry in all countries; set the world on its feet and bring prosperity and contentment where now there is nothing but unrest.

This is how I would do it. No one country can by itself undertake the responsibility of providing the colossal sum required. The international nerve strain that forced England off the gold standard is evidence of the danger facing a nation that, acting alone, attempts to add to its existing debts.

Three-Power Loan.

But what England cannot do alone can be accomplished with ease by England, the United States, and France in co-operation. These three countries control the money movements of the world, and a loan raised jointly by them for development work throughout the world would be universally regarded as a stabilising act.

The sum required, I suggest, would be £500,000,000. It should be raised when and how required, and should be guaranteed by Great Britain and the two other countries which would control its issue and management by a council consisting of a representative of each of the three guaranteeing nations.

These are other provisions I would make:

The money raised under this scheme to be made available for revenue-earning construction work only in any country on terms to be decided by the Controlling Council.

Each guaranteeing nation to undertake to pay annually to the Controlling Council one-third of the net balance, if any, the Council has to find to meet that year's charges for interest and redemption of the loans then outstanding.

With this "International Loan for Development" at the service of all nations for developments or construction work that is revenue-earning—that is the vital point—I foresee the revivifying of industry throughout the world.

Past Errors.

Hitherto all work organised by Governments to assist the unemployed has not only diverted craftsmen and others from their vocations, but has been "dead-end" work. Not only that; not being revenue-earning, the cost has been thrown on the taxpayer either in the form of current taxes or in the worse form of adding to the debts of the Treasury or of local authorities.

None of these disadvantages applies to development work that is revenue producing. The undertaking—the carrying out of which would provide immediate work for the basic and other industries—completed, the utilisation of it to earn revenue would give employment to additional workers, and instead of being a burden on the taxpayers, the capital employed would become permanently remunerative.

An immense volume of this class of work is waiting to be done. In England we need to reconstruct our coal wagons, substituting large steel trucks for the existing small timber-built wagons. This work alone would absorb some 2,000,000 tons of steel, 4,000,000 tons of iron ore, and 4,000,000 tons of coal. Savings in repairs and maintenance of the new trucks, plus the rebate which the railways are prepared to allow on the traffic carried in them, would make this work sufficiently revenue-earning to justify the capital expenditure.

Some Projects.

In Rhodesia railways will sooner or later have to be built to link up the copper mining fields with the coast, incidentally opening up wide new areas of the country. The route of new railways some 700 miles in length has been surveyed and is demanded for the development of Palestine. In the United States, in France, and its colonial empire there are developments waiting and capable of showing a fair return on capital. There are similar projects in Canada, Australia, Egypt and the Sudan, South America, the East and the Far East.

Capital provided by my proposal would inevitably be supplemented by capital from other sources, and eventually probably something like three times £500,000,000 would be employed on new construction.

Steel and Coal.

In the supply of material for such work the chief benefit will accrue to steel and its interlinked industry of coal mining. We are still in the iron age, and in England, the United States, France, Germany, and Belgium steel trade activity and general prosperity are synonymous terms. Shipping—in which our interests far exceed those of any other country—railway transport, iron-ore mining, the

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BANKRUPTCY COURT.**STORY OF \$2,720 ROBBERY.****SALT FISH DEALER.**

Stating that he had failed because he was robbed of \$2,720 in September, 1930, To Po-wan, alias To Sik-pun, No. 934, Canton Road, formerly trading as the Sze Cheong salt fish dealers, was publicly examined on his own petition by the Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz) in the Bankruptcy Court this morning.

The examination was adjourned for the Official Receiver to make further enquiries about the robbery. Debtor's liabilities were shown at \$1,880, with assets of \$318.

Debtor stated that he started the business with \$1,000 capital and was the sole proprietor, but it went from bad to worse until he was indebted to different people to the extent of over \$1,000. He carried on the business until September, 1931.

He was questioned at length on his evidence that in September, 1930, while asleep, he was awakened by having the muzzle of a pistol pressed into his stomach, to find three robbers present. One took his key and opened the safe, extracting \$2,720. He advanced the theory that one of the men might have hidden in an empty fish tub and when all had gone to bed opened the door for the others to enter. He said he reported it to the Police and one man was arrested but discharged. The same man, however, was convicted on another charge and sent to prison.

Debtor averred that the loss of that money caused his bankruptcy, but agreed that he carried on for a year afterwards.

Other Cases.

An application for hearing a petition against Messrs. L. K. Gibley and Company, China Building, was adjourned *sine die*. Mr. F. C. E. Rendall, for the petitioning creditor, stating that his client was sick in Macao and could not attend.

The petitioning creditor is Cheng Din-to, No. 429, Queen's Road West, who applies on a debt of \$6,290, alleged to be due under a Chinese borrowing note.

A Receiving Order was made in the matter of I-lsu Sum-pak, trading as the Wai Lam Firm, of No. 2, Stafford Road, Kowloon Tong, and No. 334, Des Voeux Road West, on his own petition.

Mr. D. B. Evans made the application on behalf of debtor, and the Official Receiver did not oppose.

Debtor's liabilities were shown at \$83,833.17 with assets of \$13,300.

THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE.**CHINESE REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATED.**

Geneva, Jan. 13. At the opening of the fifty-sixth session of the Executive Council of the International Labour Office, the chairman, M. Mahaim (Belgium), announced that the Belgian Government, in agreement with the Chinese Government, had nominated Mr. Woo Kai-cheng as an associate representative of Belgium on the Council.

Mr. Woo Kai-cheng said that China was glad to be able to participate in the labours of the Council.

The Japanese Government representative, Mr. Yoshizaka, as the delegate of countries of the Far East, warmly welcomed the Chinese representative. —*Reuter*.

ACID-THROWING INCIDENT.**WOMAN BADLY BURNED.**

Suffering from the effects of corrosive acid, a Chinese married woman, Li Ying-king, aged 29, of 193 Queen's Road West, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon by relatives.

It appears that whilst walking along Queen's Road West near Eastern Street at 8.30 a.m. yesterday, an unknown man threw the contents of a bowl over her face. The fluid took immediate effect, burning her face, neck and eyes.

Although the incident occurred early in the morning, the woman, who was first treated at home, was not removed to the Government Civil Hospital for professional treatment until 4.30 in the afternoon.

PIRACY GUARDS ON CHINA COAST.

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trade; it could restrict the number of passengers, increase the number of the Europeans in the crew or adopt other expedients of its own.

The Judgment.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt, in giving judgment, said:—In this case a shipping company carrying on their business in the China seas seek a declaration that the Crown are not entitled to receive from them certain monies in respect of military placed on board the steamers of the plaintiffs with their consent for the purpose of protecting the steamers against piracy on the part of ill-disposed passengers.

Now, the facts which have occasioned this are really very clear. For many years there has been a great deal of piracy in the China seas, and it has taken especially this form, and it is this form with which we are concerned. In this case, namely, persons have shipped as passengers, being Chinese passengers, on board these ships and, being very numerous and very hard to scrutinise, at a convenient moment that have arisen and overcame the officers. So they have plundered the ship. That clearly is piracy. That is the state of affairs that had to be dealt with.

Payment Under Protest.

At one time there were Indian guards and at another time something else was suggested. Various plans were discussed, and it all came down to this, simply and clearly, that in about 1928 or 1929 the shipowners were saying that the trade was of any use, if the trade was to be maintained, except the disciplined men, trained and disciplined to protect the ship. They could not provide them themselves, and they said that the Government ought to provide them.

Then the Government said: "We will provide them, but you must pay the charges named," which were equivalent, I suppose, to the charges or the expenses of the Government on the troops. The shipowners then said: "We have no option but to accept these terms." That merely meant this: "We must have armed guards. We cannot provide them ourselves. You say you will not give them without payment. Therefore we will agree to do it because we have no option, but we are protesting against it. We say you ought to give them for nothing."

They meant to say they had no option consistent with doing good business. It is not contended for a moment that the Government insisted on putting these troops on board. The plaintiffs were free not to carry on the trade at all or to carry it on at their own risk and not require the services of the troops. But they wanted the guards and could not get them without paying for them, and they paid under protest, because they said "We are entitled to get them without payment."

War Time Analogy.

The case was put before me on the basis of the well-known cases about officers who have become so hardened by war relaxation that they have received payments in respect of the exercise of their powers. We had the case of the Shipping Controller who thought he was authorised to license ships for particular purposes, and that he was entitled to make a charge for it. So, too, the Food Controller thought he could regulate the supply of milk and that he could charge for his permission. So did the licensing authority in another case referred to. Over and over again such officers have thought that, because they have the power to give or to withhold, they have the power to give or to withhold on terms, which they have not got. That is well known as regards officers.

In this case it is very interesting. In this case that doctrine is sought to be applied to the Crown in respect of what is called its duty to use its regular forces for the protection of its nationals. It is said "The Shipping Controller or the Food Controller could not charge for the services which he gives and you (the Crown) cannot charge for performing your function of using the armed forces of the nation for national protection or the protection of nationals."

A "Complete Fallacy."

It seems to me, as was said in another case, that the analogy fails because the word "duty" in the two cases is made to describe two totally different things. In the case of the officers they have the duty to perform the duties conferred to them by the statutes in question, i.e., a duty in the eye of the Courts of Law. But in the case of the Crown and the use of the forces which is called the duty is not that sort of thing at all. It has not any obligation, as I understand it, which comes within the purview of the Courts of Law. It is a different sort of thing in a different region altogether. It is merely what I venture to call a political duty, using the word "political" in its proper and original sense. It is what any Government would be expected to

BIG TRADING JUNK FOUNDERS.**IN COLLISION WITH STEAMER.****TWENTY RESCUED.**

None the worse for their terrifying experience, there arrived in Hongkong this morning on the Chinese steamer Sunkong twenty Chinese who were rescued when their large trading junk sank after a collision with the steamer in Chinese waters in the early hours of yesterday morning.

Their vessel, the Wing On Tai trading junk, was on its way from Macao to Hoihow with 2,600 piculs of general cargo on board. About 2.30 yesterday morning, just after passing the Tai Wok and Xi Wok Islands, the craft came into collision with the Sunkong, which was valued at \$14,000, as well as the cargo, which belongs to several merchants, was a total loss. The Sunkong appears not to have suffered any damage.

Badly holed, the junk took in water quickly and foundered in less than half an hour. The crew of twenty manned the junk's only lifeboat and were picked up by the Sunkong. None suffered any injury as a result of the collision.

The junk, which is valued at \$14,000, as well as the cargo, which belongs to several merchants, was a total loss. The Sunkong appears not to have suffered any damage.

The Sunkong has a net tonnage of 322 tons. She was on her way to Hongkong with a cargo of coal. Her master is Leung Pat, and she is owned by Kwa Ting-chung, whose agents in Hongkong are the Wo Hop Steamship Company.

SCOTTISH CUP.**FIRST ROUND MATCH ANTICIPATED.**

London, Jan. 13. In the first round of the Scottish Cup competition, today, Murrayfield Amateurs were defeated by Edinburgh City, the score being 2-11.

The first round ties are scheduled to be played on Saturday next, but this match was advanced. —*Reuter*.

Damage to furniture, other household articles and the wood work of the room was caused when a fire broke out in the sitting room of Harbour View Hotel at 4 p.m. yesterday afternoon. The outbreak was apparently due to an electric iron being left switched on.

do for its people, but the Court cannot examine it. Nobody could come to the Court and say whether the Government of any country did or did not perform its duty in that respect. That confusion with the double use of the word "duty" lies at the bottom of the whole of the argument in this case. The case for the plaintiffs is on a complete fallacy. It is not a question of the Crown doing anything of the kind which the officers in the other cases were found to have done.

Services Rendered Only.

It is said that what has been done here is that they have raised money without the consent of Parliament. That is the way the position is brought into line with principle. But that is not receiving money. Of course, if there was a duty comparable to the duty of an officer, something of the sort might be said. But get rid of that and there is nothing left. What is called receiving money is no more than rendering services. The charge has not been imposed as the price of something they are entitled to without charge. In the case of the officers the party was entitled to the unbiassed judicial decision of the officers concerned. He had to pay for it. That could not be maintained. Here, there is nothing whatever to say. The company could not call for the decision of the Crown upon the question whether there should be soldiers or sailors in ships or not at all. It is a mere question of services rendered, as I gather, and that the soldiers should do something inside the ship of the plaintiffs which they could take or leave as they chose, and for which they could have made other arrangements. That is all there is in this case, and I cannot see any more than the Courts could see in the case of the South Wales police any reason why it should not be done—none.

There was one argument made, and that was that this was maintaining a force without the consent of Parliament. I do not think that a serious point at all, really. It was not as if they raised the force on local pay which was not authorised at all. They are simply using the forces for reward, and the forces are still paid by money provided by Parliament and the receipt of it is credited to the Crown.

In my judgment the whole case is misconceived, and the claim must be dismissed, with costs.

YOUTH SEEKS CAR TOOLS.**CAPTURED AFTER CHASE.**

Mr. W. M. Gittins appeared before Mr. Fraser, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, as complainant in a case in which a youth named Chan Kim, aged 16, was charged with attempting to steal tools from motor-car No. 2,574 yesterday afternoon.

Inspector Smith, Kowloon City Police Station, stated that Mr. Gittins resided at No. 17, Kent Road. The car, a two-seater, was parked outside the house. At about 1.30 p.m. yesterday, defendant was seen to get into the front seat, whereupon Mr. Gittins rushed out of the house, accompanied by Mrs. Gittins. Defendant ran up Kent Road with Mr. Gittins at his heels, while Mrs. Gittins drove the car in another direction with the intention of cutting him off. He was subsequently overtaken and taken to the Police station.

Mr. Gittins, said Inspector Smith, lost some tools from his car some time back and since then had been keeping a sharp look-out.

Evidence was given by Mr. Gittins of chasing the defendant from Kent Road into Devon Road, and of arresting him in the garden of the house occupied by the Belgian Consul. Mrs. Gittins corroborated this evidence.

Defendant denied having entered the car at all, stating he was there to look for a friend.

His Worship registered a conviction and passed sentence of one month's hard labour.

THE LIFE-SAVING SOCIETY.**HONGKONG THIRD IN EMPIRE.**

A letter from the Chief Secretary of the Royal Life-Saving Society has been received by Sgt. R. J. Hunt, Hongkong Police, the local representative and examiner of the Society, commenting on the excellent results obtained during 1931 and pointing out that Hongkong was placed third in the Empire. Alexandria came first, but the second place is not indicated. Special mention is made of the good results obtained by the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. It was most unfortunate that the last class of the Artillery at Lyceum could not pass out, due to the anti-Japanese troubles breaking out. This also affected two classes of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. If these classes had been examined, Hongkong would have run a very close first.

The letter further states that it is pleasing to read of the successful and plucky harbour swim of Miss Doris Hunt, daughter of Sgt. Hunt, and the Central executive congratulate her most highly for breaking the record for the swim.

Sergeant Hunt, who gives his services voluntarily in his spare time, is proceeding to England on leave in April, and will visit the Headquarters of the Society, Sgt. Brand, of the Hongkong Police, who possesses the Award of Merit, has been asked to fill Sgt. Hunt's post and will be appointed in due course. It is hoped that this year Hongkong will endeavour to break all records in this most valuable subject.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	87.1/16	87
Geneva	17.7/16	17 1/2
Berlin	14.40	14.40
Osaka	183.1/16	185.1/16
London	232 1/2	232 1/2
Athens	260	260
Buenos Aires	39 1/2	39 1/2
Shanghai	1/11 1/4	1/11 3/4
New York	3.40 1/2	3.41
Amsterdam	8.49 1/2	8.49 1/2
Madrid	30 1/2	30 1/2
Manila	16 1/2	16 1/2
Bucharest	570	570
Hongkong	1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Brussels	24.10/32	24.9/16
Milan	67 1/2	67 1/2
Stockholm	17 1/2	17 1/2
Copenhagen	18.3/10	18.3/10
Prague	115	115
Lisbon	109 1/2	109 1/2
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Bombay	1/6 1/4	1/6 1/4
Yokohama	2/0 1/4	2/0 1/4
Montevideo	31 1/2	31 1/2
Montreal	4.05 1/2	4.05
Silver (spot)	19.15/16	19.1/10
(forward) 20		19 1/2

—*British Wireless.***GALE IN CHANNEL.****BRITAIN EXPERIENCES MORE SEVERE WEATHER.**

London, Jan. 13. A heavy gale was experienced in and around Britain last night and this morning, being especially severe in the English Channel and North Sea. Much shipping took shelter in south coast ports. —*British Wireless.*

RADIO BROADCAST**EUROPEAN CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME.**

From Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.
2.00 p.m. Close Down.
5.00-8.00 p.m. European Programme.

5.00-5.25 p.m. Operatic.
Aida (Verdi) Riforma Vincitor.
Eva Turner (Soprano). L2150.
The Magic Flute Overture (Mozart).
Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Symphony Orch. L1001R.
Il Trovatore (Verdi) Il Balen Sue Sorrisio.
La Ciochola (Ponchielli).
Riccardo Stracchini and Chorus. D1225.

5.25-5.43 p.m.
Brick Fair-An English Rhapsody (Dellus).
Sir Thomas Beecham and Symphony Orchestra. L2294.

5.43-6.13 p.m. European Children's Concert from the Studio.
7.00 p.m. (Stock Quotations and Mail Notice, etc.).

6.13-7.12 p.m. Variety.
Vocal Duet Rita-Rita-I'd Rather Have A Memory Of You.
G. Gwyther and Edith Day.
Song-Rio Rita-The Rangers Song.
G. Gwyther and Rangers. DX54.
Monologue-Old Sam (a) Pick Up That Musket (b) 'Alt Who Goes There!'.
Stanley Holloway. DX168.
Orchestral-With A Song In My Heart.

E. Conies and The Court Symphony Orchestra. DX62.
Descriptive Sketch-Callers' Heroin'.
Columbia Dramatic Players. DX200.
Band-Review Of Reviews.
Deborah Somers' Band. DX257.
Humorous Sketch-Motoring.
Harry Tate and Company. DX216.
7.12-7.34 p.m. Orchestral.
A Village Romeo and Juliet (Dellus).
Sir Thomas Beecham and The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. L2087.
Anglo-American Overture (Cherubini).
Willem Mengelberg and Concertgebouw Orch. L1972.

7.34-8.00 p.m. Piano-forte Solos.
Impromptu No. 1 in F Minor (Schubert).
Ethel Leginska. 9476.

Impromptu No. 3 in B Flat (Schubert).
Ethel Leginska. 9477.

Impromptu No. 2 in A Flat (Schubert).
Impromptu No. 4 in Minor (Schubert).

Ethel Leginska. 9478.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-Day Press News.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

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A WAY TO END DEPRESSION.

(Continued from Page 6.)

chemical and its ancillary trades would all benefit.

The proposal should appeal to the Governments and business interests of France and America. It would bring them developments within their borders and demand for their products for new work in other countries.

Phipps Has a**NEW "HATE."**

The airship R100, which the Government has just sold as a bargain remnant, is to be demolished by a steam-roller. Then, Phoenix-like, it is to arise in the form of asphalt.

It is the method of destruction which appeals to me. In the ordinary way one associates steam-rollers with tar and urban councils, but considered subjectively they assume the dignity of a Force. The steam-roller occupies a position analogous to that of the lion. It is the King of Hardware. And that is why I am now going to suggest the formation of a Steam-Roller Society for the Pulverising of Public Eyesores. Think of the possibilities. A deputation with a good head of steam could "clean up" London in a few hours.

Rolling Down to Ludgate.

The chairman's roller might be occupied by Mr. Howard Robertson, the architect who recently criticised the Strand and alluded to Leicester-square as "Junt awful." Following him on the vice-chairman's footstep we might have Mr. George Mansell, who described Ludgate-circus as taking "the Devil's prize for sheer civic untidiness."

What ecstasy we should enjoy rolling down the Strand. With what ecstatic fervour we should open the throttle and eliminate Ludgate-circus and Leicester-square After a short recess for luncheon we might turn our attention to statutory.

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the case of St. Pancras. I might add that all those wishing to join the society should send in their applications to me. Applicants must be British and have at least 10 years' experience of rolling (steam preferred).

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Special Low Prices.GENESIS A SIDE
SHOW.EPSTEIN MAKES A
PROTEST.Genesis, the much-criticised
sculpture by Epstein, is once again
the centre of a storm.This time it is the sculptor
himself who raises a protest, not
against Genesis, but against "the
exhibition of my marble statue as a
side-show in a trade exhibition."
Mr. Epstein's complaint is made
in a letter to a news agency, and
he claims: "It should be obvious
to people of any sensibility that a
work shown in this manner is dis-
graceful."

For Charity.

Genesis is on view at the Exhibi-
tion of West Bromwich Trades-
men's Association at the Town
Hall, West Bromwich, and is shown
as a separate exhibit for the bene-
fit of the local hospital.The owner of the statue is Mrs.
A. C. Bosson, who has permitted
it to be exhibited in numerous
cities for the purpose of raising
charity.Mr. Bosson, who is M.P. for
Maudstone, stated that he had
received a letter from Mr. Epstein,
telegraphing an inquiry to the
exhibition and received a reply
stating that Genesis was not with
the trade exhibits, but was being
shown separately for the hospital
fund.

"Disgusted."

When Mr. Epstein heard this ex-
planation he said:"I have received first-hand in-
formation that the statue forms
part of what is called a modern
bungalow. I am disgusted."An official of West Bromwich
Corporation said the Council had
nothing to do with the exhibition."I agree," he said, "that the
statue is shown in a very unsuit-
able manner. Many people have
simply looked at it and laughed.
They think it is an amusing side
show."HONGKONG SHARE
MARKET.OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
STOCK EXCHANGE.A very quiet tone prevailed at the
morning session, but prices were still
more or less unaffected.

Sales.

Hotels (old), \$15.30.
China Lights, \$26.90.
Trams, \$22.60.
Cements (combined), \$19.65.

Buyers.

Douglases, \$23 1/2.
Chinese Estates, \$95.
Trams, \$22.40.
Canton Leas, \$5 1/2.
Ropes, \$18.
Dairy Farms, \$29.20.
Constructions (new), \$1.80.
Providents (old), \$6.30.
Providents (new), \$2.40.
Singapore Frictions, 37.
Cements (combined), \$19.60.
Cements (old), \$12 1/2.
Sugars, \$16.
H.K. Government Loan, \$2 1/2
premium.

Sellers.

Indo-Chinas (pref.), \$45.
Indo-Chinas (def.), \$32.
Telephones (part paid), \$28 1/2.
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Rauhs, \$39.
Ewes, \$16 1/2.
Dairy Farms, \$29 1/2.

CHARITY SOCCER.

CANTON TEAMS TO MEET
NAVY.Two charity football matches
are to be played on the H.K.F.C.
ground, Happy Valley, on Sunday
between sides representing the
Combined Navy.The 2nd XI game will start at
2.30 p.m. and the 1st XI match
at 4.15 p.m. The proceeds will
be given to the Tung Kung
Sheung Wui Free Schools for the
poor.The Committee of the Tung
Kung Sheung Wui desire to thank
the Government for exempting the
Amusement Tax, the Royal Navy
for putting in two teams, the
H.K. Football Association for
granting permission for the game,
and the H.K.F. Club for use of
the ground.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

The following have been selected to
represent the Indian Recreation Club
in a League match against the Royal
Navy on the I.R.C. ground on Satur-
day, January 16, at 2 p.m.:
A. A. Runjahn (Capt.), F. D.
Perera, A. H. Runjahn, S. R. Kor-
mami, A. H. Mada, S. A. Ismail, O.
Ismail, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu, J. S.
A. Curraem and H. D. Runjahn.
Reserves.—A. T. Barma and M. el
Arcull.LLOYDS BANK
CASE ENDS.DEFENDANTS FOUND
NOT GUILTY.OCCUPATIONS OF
THE JURY.

London, Dec. 19.

There were surprising develop-
ments on the final day of the case
of alleged conspiracy to defraud
Lloyds Bank at Batley, Yorkshire,
which was before Mr. Justice Mc-
Cardie at the West Riding Assizes
at Leeds for nine days.Before the Court adjourned on
Wednesday the two accountants,
Joseph Wellcut Mackinnon, of
Derby-street, Glasgow, and John
Cole-Hamilton, of Kilwinning,
Ayrshire, who had been involved
in the charges, were found not
guilty and discharged.Yesterday the other defendants,
Henry Cecil Turner, aged 36, of
Holly Bank, Batley, lately mana-
ger of Greenhill Mills, Batley, and
Alexander Young, aged 47, com-
pany director, of Kilby Court,
Worthington, near Chorley, were
found not guilty and discharged.
The charge of conspiracy
against them alleged that the bank
was induced by means of false
statements to advance money to
certain textile firms—Mitchell and
Marsden, Verdun Textiles, Ltd.,
Anglo-Scottish Spinners, Ltd.A large number of counts alleg-
ing fraudulent conversion had
been reduced to three against
Turner and one against Young.
They were also charged with mak-
ing or publishing false statements
regarding the assets and liabilities
of certain companies.At the outset yesterday Mr.
Justice McCardie said that the
matter of their expenses in attend-
ing so many times."I fully sympathise with their
view," he said, "I have long felt
that those who attend at such
great personal inconvenience in
order to discharge their duties as
jurymen should be allowed at
least their out-of-pocket expenses.
If I had the power to grant the
application I should do so with
pleasure. The application illus-
trates the need that exists with
respect to many aspects of the
law for change and reform."

Jury and Banks.

The Judge then asked whether
any members of the jury were
bank managers. One was, and
others, he believed, were con-
nected with banks."I am sorry that I did not know
before," he said, "or I should have
asked anyone who was either a
bank manager or connected with
banks not to serve in this case
in order that absolute indepen-
dence and righteousness of judg-
ment might exist."He asked if any of the jury
were personally acquainted with
certain witnesses, because if so
they must curb in the most empha-
tic manner any feeling they might
possess in favour of the banks or
bank managers concerned."It is a case which has given
rise to so many serious questions
in respect of so many things that
it would have been most desirable
that the jury had been absolutely
free of anything connected with
the administration of banks. I
feel it my duty to say that because
complete purity and independence
of British justice is most essen-
tial and, indeed, never was more
essential than it is in the times
through which we are now pass-
ing."The Foreman of the jury intima-
ted that no member of the jury
knew any of the accused men.

Case Not Proved.

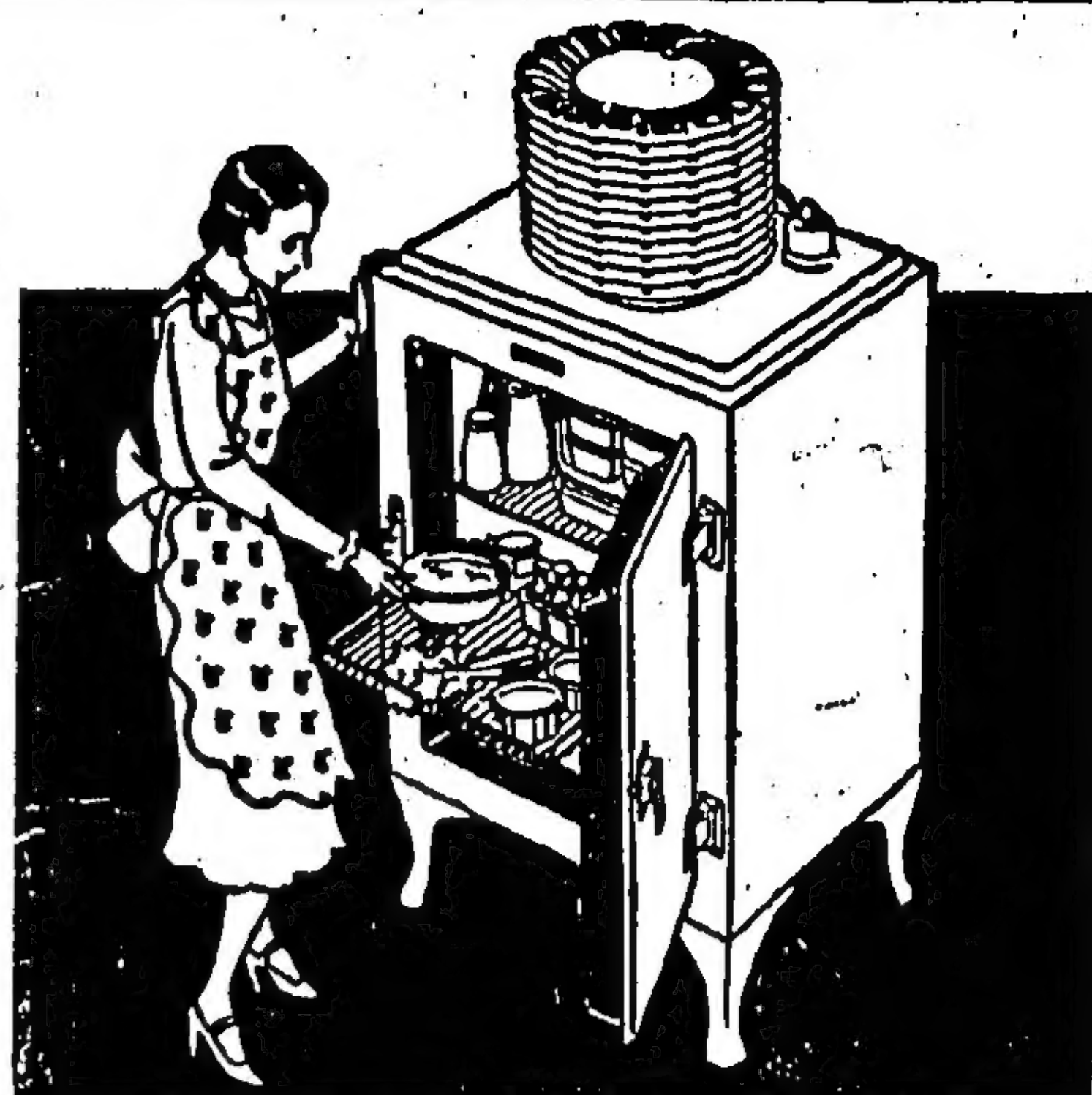
Mr. Justice McCardie said that
he had not been able to appreciate
the position of Turner's accounts
—what moneys he received and
paid out. He could not make out
where Turner really stood. The
data before him was absolutely
inadequate.The Foreman said that was the
jury's position too.Later the Foreman intimated
that the jury would like to retire
to consider certain aspects of the
case, and the Judge said that he
would like them to do so.The jury returned after an hour
and intimated that they had
agreed unanimously that, owing
to the complexity of the figures
and on the evidence produced, the
prosecution had failed to prove
their case.They returned a verdict of not
guilty on all counts.Mr. Justice McCardie said that
he thought the facts that had been
revealed in the case showed that
a larger measure of care should be
exercised in future by the great
banks conducting the commercial
business of this country.Members of the jury were ex-
cused from further service for ten
years.CO-OPERATION NOT
COMPETITION.MR. ALEXANDER'S
IDEALS.My activities are directed to the
Councils of the Co-operative Party
rather than to those of the Labour
Party. But as I tell our people,
the aims of the two parties, though
we pride ourselves on our indepen-
dence, are practically the same.The Labour Party's ideal is a
Co-operative Commonwealth based
on collective action, and that is what
we are practically building by co-
operative methods.We have over 6,000,000 members,
and societies representing more
than half this number are directly
affiliated to the Labour Party,
whilst thousands of members of
societies which hesitate to affiliate,
individually support Labour. We
never forget that if Robert Owen
was the father of British co-opera-
tion, he was also the father of British
Socialism.Quite undiscouraged and un-
daunted by the General Election,
in which we achieved better results
for smaller expenditure than any
other party, we are overhauling our
electoral machinery and pursuing
an intensive educational and pro-
pagandist campaign.We contend that certain essential
services can only be applied to their
full use and public benefit under
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tremendous as some tradition-bound
politicians imagine. What has
been done by the Port of London
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safely be done for Coal, Cotton,
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Power. Mr. A. V. Alexander.PETROL CAN CLUES
IN PARIS CRIME.

AMERICAN VICTIM.

Paris, Dec. 18.

What may prove to be one of the
most sensational murder mysteries
in Paris in recent years was re-
vealed dramatically to-day.The elements of the mystery, in
order of discovery, are:Burned out petrol can, lying
among a man's burned and blood-
stained clothes on the roadside in
the Poissy suburb of Paris.A quarter of a mile further on
a second pile of burned and blood-
stained clothing and the remains
of another can of petrol.Three hundred yards nearer to
Triel a new black sock, traced as
having been purchased in a Paris
store.A wrecked motor-car, found in
the Bois de Vincennes, on the op-
posite side of Paris, with a folding
seat missing.The missing seat, found later
near Poissy.The clothes were identified this
evening as those of a rich American,
Mr. Richard Clifton Wall (34). It
is thought that he may be the Mr.
Richard Wall who last February
complained to the police that he
had been robbed of £4,000 in cash
and £200,000 in bonds by an Ameri-
can woman. When the woman
was arrested however, Mr. Wall
admitted that he had been mistaken
and the charge was withdrawn.Since his arrival in Paris in
June last year Mr. Wall had lived
at expensive hotels.

Bundle Dropped in Seine.

Two men were seen to get out of
a motor-car on Wednesday night
near the scene of the first dis-
coveries and to drop a heavy bundle
into the Seine. Dragging opera-
tions began to-day, but so far no
trace of the victim's body has been
found and to-morrow a diver will
help in the search.The motor-car has been identi-
fied as one stolen on Monday from
outside a shop in the Boulevard
Malesherbes. The speedometer
showed that the car had travelled
300 miles after it had been stolen.COMING SOON
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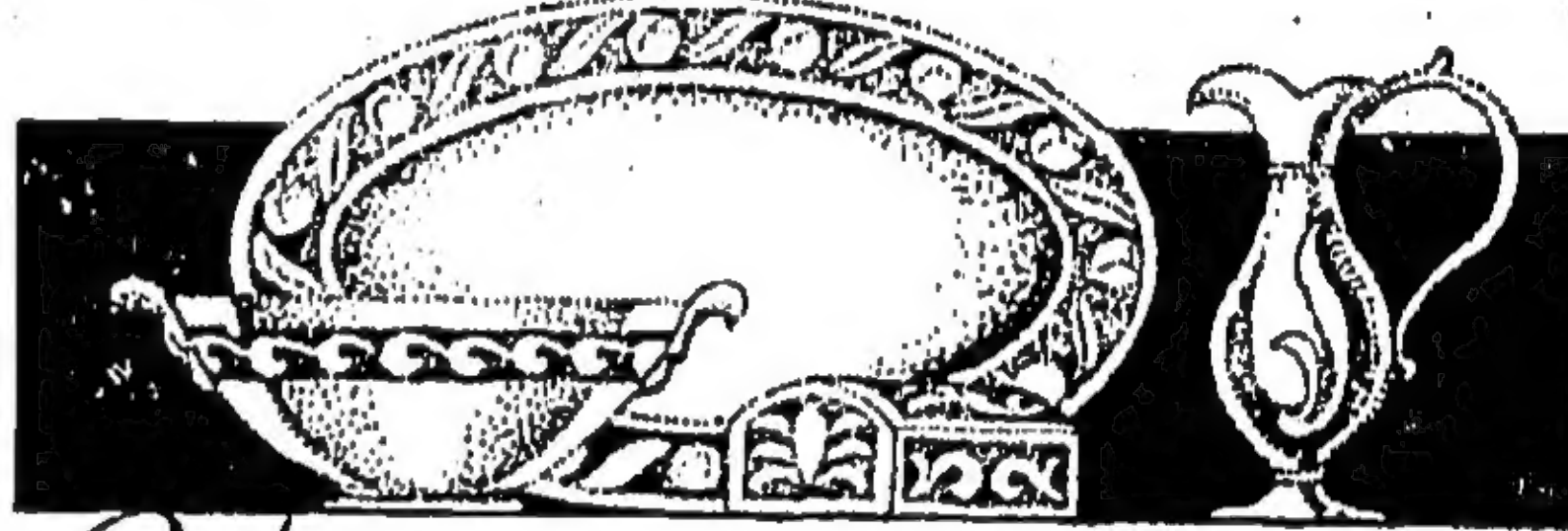
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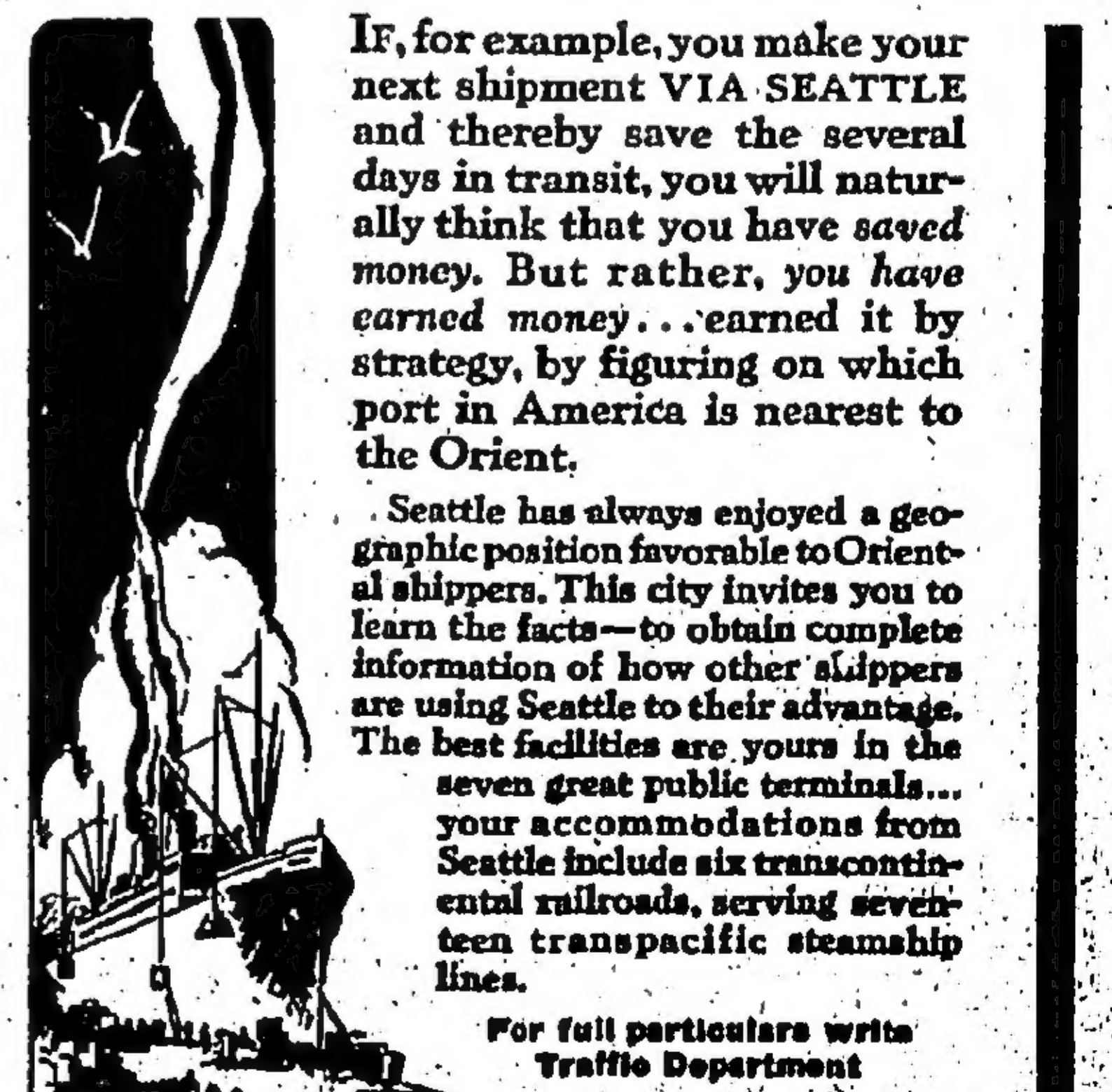
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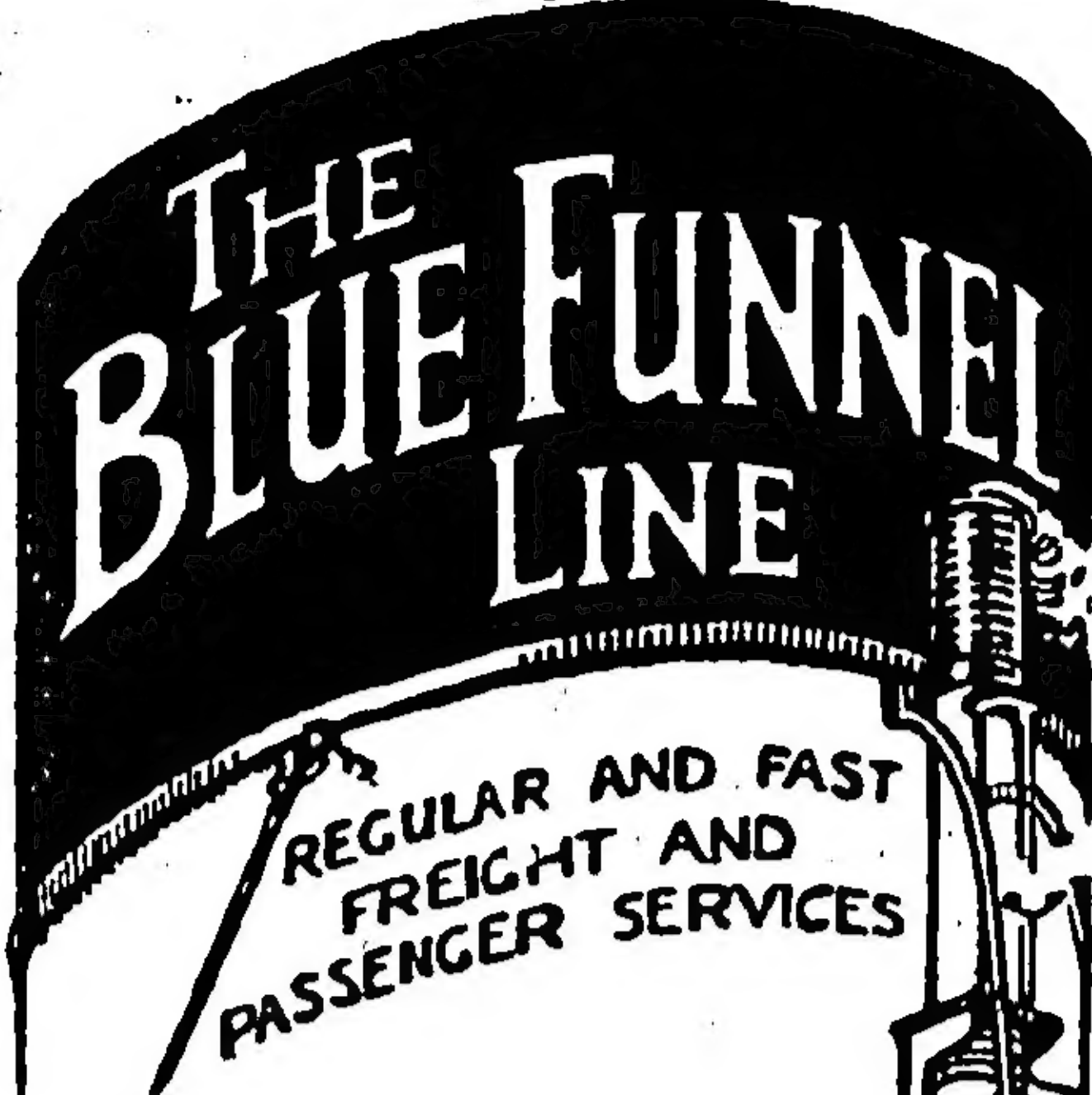
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The greater part of the block running from the existing building to Wigmore-street, and from Duke-street to Orchard-street, covering 6½ acres, has been bought. All the buildings now on it, including a church, will be pulled down.

Underground Tunnels.

At first only basements and the ground floor will be built at a cost of £200,000. Additional storeys will be gradually added as the need for them arises.

The ground floor is expected to be finished by next autumn, and the complete extension, which will be of the same architectural design as the present building, in about eight years.

Underground tunnels will serve as connecting links.

Mr. Selfridge made it clear when giving details of the work that he hoped the announcement would do something to dispel the prevailing atmosphere of depression.

"At this time," he said, "when pessimism is so much in the air, and the building of the great Cunarder has been abandoned, I hope that an enterprise of this kind may be accepted as a cheering indication of Selfridge's confidence in the future of Great Britain and in its ability to go on developing. We intend to do our full share."

"Forward."

"The immediate outlook may not be very bright, but the depression cannot last for ever. In a spirit of confidence we shall go forward. London is entitled to have the biggest store in the world, and we are going to provide it."

"We begin immediately to dismantle the present buildings, some of which have encumbered the ground for 150 years, and we hope to have at least part of the new premises ready for next autumn's business."

"We have had to deal with the Marylebone Borough Council, the London County Council, the Ministry of Transport, the Portman Estate and the Hope-Edwards Estate."

"They have all recognised in a thoroughly patriotic manner that it is most desirable this development should take place."

NAZI ANTAGONISM.

"BRUENING MUST GO" LATEST SLOGAN.

Berlin, Jan. 13.

"Bruening must go" appears to be the latest Nazi slogan.

In a speech at Kempton, Dr. Wilhelm Frick, one of Hitler's chief lieutenants, declared that the Nazis would not support Dr. Bruening any longer, and if the Bruening Cabinet did not disappear by the time the election were held, the Nazis would present their own Presidential candidate, on whom they could unconditionally rely.—*Reuter*.

[Dr. Bruening approached the Nazis to consent to President Hindenburg remaining for a further term.]

SIM SHIELD HOCKEY.

CLUB DEFEATED NAVY IN HARD GAME.

The second of the Sim Shield matches, between the Hongkong Hockey Club and the Royal Navy, was played off on the R.N.O.C. ground, King's Park, yesterday, and ended in a win for the civilians by five goals to three.

Yesterday's game was a close and well-contested one, and though the losers, the Navy men, were by no means disgraced. In fact, they were more an unlucky side, for though they attacked frequently their chances of scoring, somehow or other, were bungled at the last moment. They made a desperate rally in the second half of the game after being two goals in the first, and added two more goals to their tally.

The first twenty minutes of play was even, and both sides did a fair amount of attacking. The defence, however, held out, and it was only towards the middle of this half that the Club were able to draw first blood. Divett was the scorer, on receipt of a pass from Evans.

The Naval men attacked after this, but all their movements were spoilt in the last moment through misunderstanding. The Club went on to score again through Divett, who netted the ball on a pass from W. A. Reid.

The Navy forwards continued to press and were awarded a penalty corner, but did not make use of the opportunity of scoring. After this the game was transferred to the Navy goal, and Divett sent in a hard drive to which the goalie managed to put his pads, but on the ball rebounding out, Evans got possession and made no mistake with his shot.

Three goals against them was not enough to discourage the Navy men, and they resumed their attacking from the halfway, and before the half time whistle sounded were rewarded. H. Knott netting the ball from a beautiful pass from the outside left.

Second Half.

The second half was even more thrilling, and each side added two further goals. A few minutes after resumption, Francis scored for the Club from a pass from Owen Hughes. A little later, Stephenson reduced the lead, netting the ball cleverly from an almost impossible angle. Francis, however, netted again to give the Club a lead of five goals to two.

The Navy men were not daunted, and pressed again. Many times they came near to scoring, but bad judgment and erratic shooting were responsible for their not making use of their opportunities. Before the final whistle they attacked again and Lt. Cdr. Shaw netted, the match ending with the score five goals to three.

Owen Hughes, Divett and Francis were the pick of the Club forwards, while Woodward played a stout game at back and W. A. Reid also lent excellent support to the defence. For the Navy, Shaw and Campbell were most hardworking, but the others also did their bit.

The teams were as follows:
Hongkong Club: Gregory; Woodward, Rodgers; W. A. Reid, Dard, E. V. Reid; Owen Hughes, Divett, Francis, Evans and Tetley.
Royal Navy: Hampson; Ingram, Lane, Wilkinson, Shaw, Campbell; White, Gibb, Stephenson, Knott and Bowerman.

FRIENDLY GAME.

Police Team Defeat R.M.S. Cumberland.

Playing on the Hongkong Police Training School ground yesterday, the Police defeated a team drawn from R.M.S. Cumberland by two goals to one, in a very close and interesting hockey game.

At the end of the first half each side had scored a goal, but the Police clinched matters in the second half by obtaining another point. Perkins and Allen netted for the Police.

To-morrow's Match.

The following will represent the Police in a friendly match against the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club on the Police Training School ground to-morrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOCCER.

SELECTED TEAM BEATEN BY THE NAVY.

Yesterday, on the Hongkong F.C. ground, the Navy defeated the Selected Team in the Interport trial game. The selected team fielded ten men throughout, the line up being as follows:

Interport Selected:—G. Rodgers; Mullane and Martin; Hay, Skinner and Bliss; Hughes, McKelvie, Sheppard and Duncan.

Navy:—Savage; Ward and Dixon; Bush, Shirras and Turner; Robinson, Scorer, Chadwick, Dickinson and Skinner. Referee: Ch. W. Pooley.

From the kick off, the Selected went straight down and forced a corner, but failed to improve on the flag kick. For a time the Navy held the upper hand, but shooting was erratic. Robinson, Dickinson and Skinner missing from easy positions. From a corner kick, Bush headed into Rodgers's hands.

Duncan tested Savage with a fast low shot and from a pass by Hughes, McKelvie cleared the bar with a first time. The Navy returned to the attack and forced a couple of corners which were fruitless. Halftime, no score.

Resuming, the Selected team went off with a dash, a fast shot by McKelvie just clearing the upright. Savage cleared from Hughes and Hay. Play was transferred and Robinson sent across the goalmouth, Dickinson turning the ball into the net to open the score for the Navy.

The Selected again made straight for goal, Sheppard trapping the ball close in shot over. McKelvie sent in a fast cross shot and beat Savage all the way. The Selected took the lead through Hay who headed in from a pass by Hughes, the ball striking the inside of the upright rebounded into the net. Three goals were scored in five minutes. The Navy put on pressure and the Selected team were forced on the defensive. After thirty minutes' play in the second half, Dickinson, taking advantage of a weak clearance by Martin, beat Rodgers with a fast cross shot.

With the score two all, the teams went all out for the lead. Hughes sent in a dropping centre and Duncan turned wide only a yard from the post. Dickinson sent Skinner away and the winger put over a square pass almost from the goal line. Martin in trying to clear sent the ball into his own goal, and again the Navy were leading. Just on time McKelvie made a good attempt to draw level but his shot missed by inches only, with Savage out of position.

Howe and A. V. Gosano were absent from the Selected team and McKelvie went forward to let Skinner (Club) fill the pivotal position. McKelvie held his line well considering that only four men were in the forward line. Hay tried hard to assist Hughes, but found he had enough to do to look after the Navy wing. Dickinson and Skinner. Mullane was hard worked and came out well in the tussles with Skinner. Sheppard and Duncan did not combine well on the left, Ward breaking up well any attempt at combination.

Skinner (Club) played well; and Chadwick the new Navy centre-forward did not get much role in his first important game in Hongkong.

League Matches.

The teams to represent the Kowloon Football Club in their League matches on Saturday have been selected.

The senior eleven will play the Navy at Chatham Road at 4 p.m. and will be composed of the following players:—Groveitch; London, Martin; Bliss, McKelvie, Duncan; Dunning, Gillett, Timberlake, Simpson and Eastman. Reserves: Hast.

The juniors will meet the University at Chatham Road at 2.30 p.m. The following have been selected:—Fowler, Wells, Williams L.; Greenberg, Whitfield, Williams, A.B.; Nicholls, Everest, Cotton, Blake and Phillips. Reserves: White and Noonan.



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A FRIEND IN NEED.

SAYS HE PURCHASED ACID FOR PRISONER.

Mr. Williams, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, heard further evidence in the case in which a Chinese was charged with throwing corrosive acid at a young stallholder in Hollywood Road on the night of October 30.

Recalled for cross-examination by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, for the defence, Chung Yee declared that on the day prior to the incident he was employed by the accused to buy the fluid, being supplied by the accused with an empty bottle similar to the one produced in Court. The statement made at the time by the accused was that he required the acid for the purpose of working silver.

The reason why prisoner requested him to make the purchase, witness continued, was that they were friends. Witness did not know of the real purpose behind the request until the present proceedings. He now knew it was to injure the stallholder.

Replying to another question by Counsel, witness said he had known the accused for the last ten years. Witness denied he was a member of the Wo Kee Club at Po Leung Kuk New Street, which, Counsel suggested, had been raided by the Police.

Mr. Lo: Accused says he never engaged you to buy acid.
Witness: That is not true.
The hearing was adjourned.

PIECE-GOODS TRADE.

NEW COMMISSION WANTED BY CHINESE FIRM.

The Chinese Piece-goods Merchants' Association has sent circular letters to the Hongkong importing firms informing them that as from next Friday all the importers are requested to make a rebate of one per cent. of the money paid by the Chinese piece-goods dealers for the settlement of their accounts with the importers.

The rebate will apply to all business. It is pointed out in the letter that this will not affect the usual discounts and other allowances which the Chinese dealers obtain from the importers.

An official of the Piece-goods Merchants' Association told a representative of the Press that the rebate was requested because the importers wished to give their employees bonuses, which will be distributed every quarterly or annually. The bonuses will also be enjoyed by the managers who will be assigned a proportionate share.

In the case of the bigger dealers the commission will amount to a considerable sum after a few months, although it will be only 1 per cent.

FLYING SQUAD.

FIRST ANNUAL DINNER LAST NIGHT.

The first annual dinner of the Flying Squad of the Hongkong Police Reserve was held at Lane Crawford's Restaurant last night and a most enjoyable evening was spent. About thirty members and friends were present including Mr. D. L. King, Deputy Superintendent of Police (R), Mr. E. R. Dovey, Assistant Superintendent of Police (R), Sub Inspector A. L. Hopkins, Musketry Instructor, and Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt, Police Instructor and the gathering was presided over by Mr. C. F. Alexander, the officer in charge of the Unit.

The Chairman, during the course of his speech, extended a most hearty welcome to all present and hoped that this first annual dinner would be the first of a great many more to come. Although the flying squad, as at present constituted, was inaugurated in 1927, this was the first time that the members, as a unit, had had an opportunity of joining one another at a dinner of the kind.

Interesting Duties.

He also made an appeal for members to endeavour to obtain recruits and bring the strength up to 50 or more. Its membership is open to anyone in the Colony who is in possession of a motor cycle, either solo or combination. He mentioned that the duties are not tedious, and in fact said they were quite interesting, as well as providing a means of performing useful services.

Mr. D. L. King said how glad he was of being able to be present. As Superintendent of the Police Reserve, he came into close contact with the Flying Squad, so that though really a visitor, he was one of the Unit. He expressed his appreciation of the very valuable services which members of the Unit had performed during the Anti-Japanese disturbances, and reminded them that the fact that they were on duty nightly during that time was ample evidence of the value which was placed on the work of the Unit as a whole. He endorsed the Chairman's remarks that he hoped the dinner would now be an annual function and also that recruits would be forthcoming.

The importers are asked to make a rebate and send the money back to the respective firms at fixed periods. The Chairman of the Importers' Association, Mr. Wong Sik-kay, made a statement that the deduction will arouse no objection on the part of the importers or compradors who, after all, had previously given the Chinese dealers certain discounts and allowances.

LLOYD'S BARRAGE.

KNIGHTHOOD FOR ENGINEER.

Bombay, Jan. 13.

The Viceroy, in a speech at the opening of the Lloyd Barrage, paid a very high tribute to those responsible, particularly Lord Lloyd.

He announced that the King had conferred a Knighthood on Mr. Harrison, the chief engineer.

The ceremony was witnessed by a large gathering, including several Talpurs (ex-rulers of Sindh), resplendent in gorgeous green and gold dresses and headgear. — *Reuter*.

Special Seed Evolved.

London, Jan. 13.

The Indian barrage project, occupied eight years, and has been effected by British engineers of the Indian Public Works Department, who overcame innumerable technical difficulties. A great proportion of the work on the barrage was done under water.

During the construction, British research workers have been engaged in evolving special varieties of seed, designed to produce the best crops in the special conditions existing in the sand.

At Karachi, many port improvements have been made in preparation for the resultant trade. — *British Wireless*.

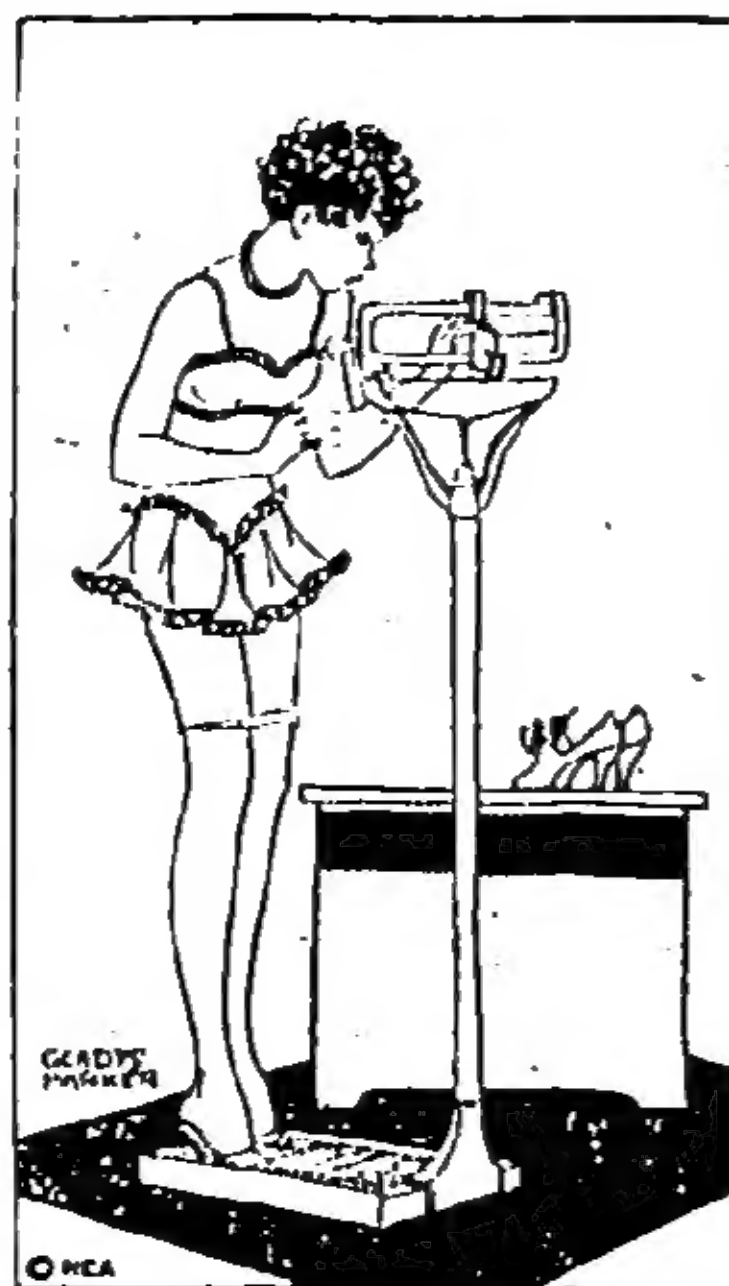
TSINGTAO RIOT.

JAPANESE LANDING PARTY WITHDRAWN.

Tsingtao, Jan. 13.

The situation here, which has been tense since yesterday morning, when a number of Japanese residents attacked the offices of a Chinese newspaper, which was alleged to have made an insulting reference to the Japanese Emperor, eased somewhat to-day.

The main force of Japanese blue-jackets who landed, following the disturbance, were withdrawn at six o'clock this evening, after the naval authorities had warned Japanese residents against creating disturbances. — *Reuter*.



The most frivolous of women often solve a weighty problem.

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 5.)

horse you lost your money on! But you needn't insult Mr.—Count De Loma." She was almost shivering with relief that he had not gone on and said what she guessed he had started to say—"that's Italian for The Fly." Once that word was spoken, she knew the jik would be up. De Loma would never believe that was accidental.

Bates, who had been smoking and idly looking out over the harbour, now shifted lazily in his chair.

"Oh, is La Mosa your horse?" he granted affably as if just becoming aware of the conversation.

De Loma looked from Bruce to Bates and back again. He was taut as a spring, Mary could see—supplacous. She could hear the beating of her own heart in the tense silence.

"She was," De Loma answered, after a moment's hesitation.

"You've sold her then?" Bates spoke casually, apparently without interest.

"She has been shot," De Loma snapped. Everyone at the table stared at him, surprised out of the rules they were playing. At the horror in their faces, De Loma caught himself up quickly.

"The injury," he explained suavely, "made it necessary."

There was a concerted exhalation of breaths. Mary looked into her plate, not daring to lift her hot eyes to the man's face. Yes, what he said was the truth; but it was not the injury sustained on the track that had made death welcome to the courageous little animal! She had taken a bad tumble but she had struggled to her feet again and ran the race out, game to the core. And she had not even limped! No, what had made it necessary to shoot her was what happened later, in the paddock, Mary knew. "De Loma kicked hell out of her." She had been killed purely out of revenge to satisfy the man's murderous fury at the horse for "letting him down."

The others, however, were noticeably relieved at De Loma's explanation. When she could trust herself to look up Mary surprised at a look of intent speculation on the other woman's face as she studied De Loma under sleepy lids.

"She must have cost you a good bit today, eh?" the throaty voice murmured.

"Too much!" De Loma grunted.

Out of the corner of her eye Mary thought she saw a dark-visaged man who had been hovering about the door beckon to De Loma just then, but she could not be sure. She looked about casually but the man had turned his back. He seemed to be poring over something he held in his hand. Then he put something in his vest pocket—perhaps a fountain pen.

De Loma had risen to go and she did not want to stare.

"We will see you again?" the Countess asked.

De Loma's jaw shut like a trap. "I must go now," he replied, his eyes on the man in the doorway. "Some business matters. I will see you later."

He came round the table and stared down at Mary, unspeaking. "I shall hope to dance with you again," he said politely.

"Thank you. Shall you be at the fête?" Mary put all the invitation at her command into the look she sent straight into the black, inscrutable eyes. For an instant she

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SHANGHAI TRAGEDY.

BRITAIN SHOOT'S WIFE AND COMMITS SUICIDE.

Shanghai, Jan. 13. Mr. Sidney Sherington, steward of the Shanghai Club, formerly in the Police Force in Hongkong, shot his wife and then committed suicide in his quarters at the Club, after dinner to-night.

His wife has been taken to hospital, wounded in the leg, but not seriously.

Mr. Sherington was a popular resident, and the tragedy had created a sensation among the Club's members. — *Our Own Correspondent*.

went hot and cold with fear that she had done it too crudely. That "come-hither" look had been far too bold—if the man had any sense he would be disgusted. She could not know, however, what De Loma read in the blush of lovely confusion that overspread her cheeks. He was human and he was vain. He brought his heels together and made her a jaunty bow. "That's a date!" he said. "I shall be there!"

(To be continued.)



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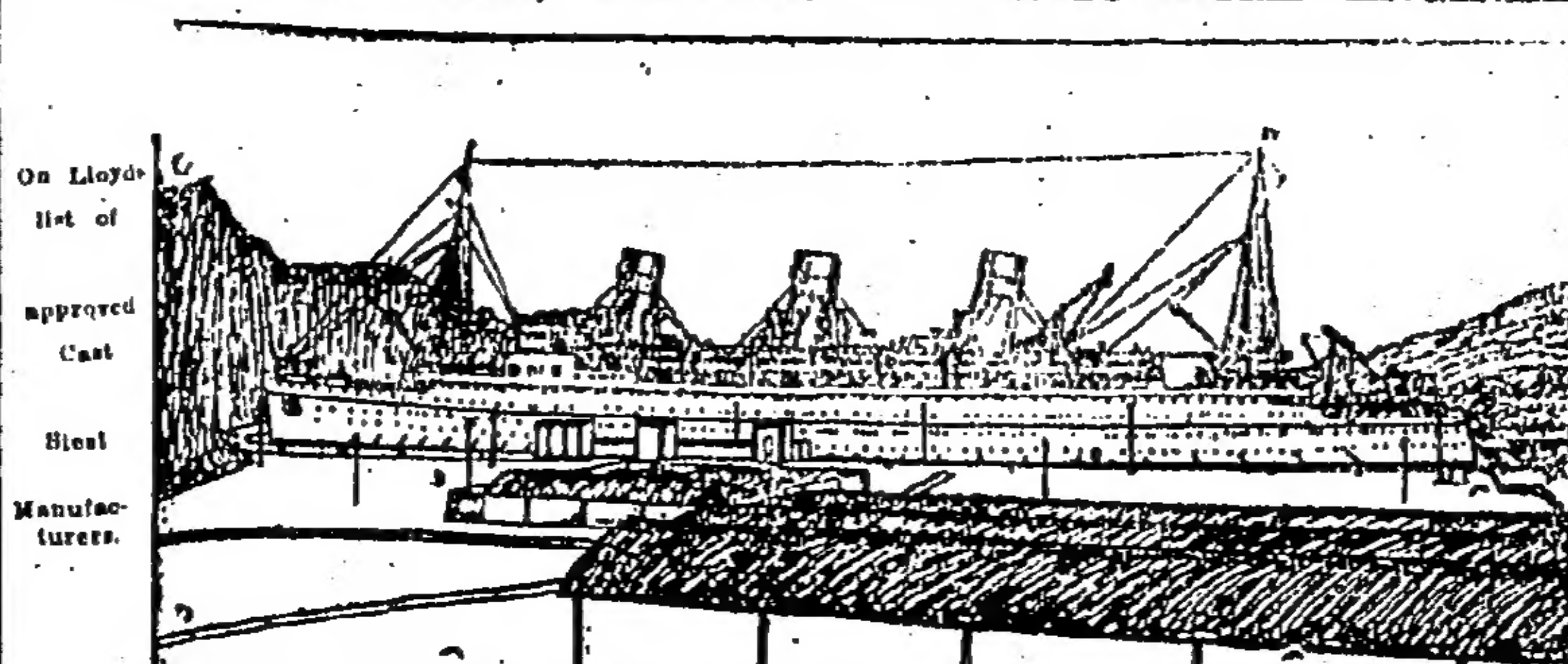
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F.A. CUP REPLAYS.

BOLTON BEATEN AT HOME.

DISAPPOINTING SAINTS.

London, Jan. 13. Huddersfield trounced Oldham Athletic by six clear goals in their F.A. Cup replay to-day, but Bolton Wanderers, famous Cup fighters, failed lamentably before their own supporters, Preston (of the Second Division) winning by five goals to two.

Another surprise was brought off by Sunderland, who, unable to win at home on Saturday, defeated the Salinas at the Dell, Southampton's neighbours, Portsmouth proved too good for Middlesbrough.

The results were:
Bristol 3, Notts County 2
Bolton Wand. 2, Preston N. E. 5
Chelsea 5, Tranmere 3
Huddersfield 6, Oldham 0
Newcastle 1, Blackpool 0
Wednesday 2, Tottenham 1
Southampton 2, Sunderland 4
Portsmouth 3, Middlesbrough 0

Two ties remain to be decided, but meanwhile the draw for the Fourth Round is brought up to date as follows:

Watford or Fulham v. Bristol C.
Grimsby v. Birmingham.
Port Vale v. Leicester.
Manchester City v. Brentford.
Huddersfield v. Queens' P.T.
Newcastle v. Southport.
Wednesday v. Bournemouth.
Bradford v. Darlington or Northants.
Bury v. Sheffield U.
Arsenal v. Plymouth Argyle.
Preston v. Wolverhampton.
Derby County v. Blackburn.
Chesterfield v. Liverpool.
Chelsea v. West Ham.
Portsmouth v. Aston Villa.
Sunderland v. Stoke.

The matches are to be played on January 23, and the First Division has been very fortunate in the draw, as nine of the sixteen games are to be played on the ground of First Division sides. Only seven are required to tour, and in four of these matches, they are opposed to divisional rivals.

Of the six Third Division teams, only one is drawn at home.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

Four Games in Southern Division.

Brentford conceded a point to Mansfield in a Third Division (South) match to-day, but there were no other surprises, the results being:

Brentford 1, Mansfield 3
Reading 3, Q. P. R. 1
Southend 1, Bournemouth 1
Cardiff 5, Torquay 2

The revised table reads:

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Brentford 22 14 4 4 33 23 32
Fulham 22 12 5 5 32 39 29
Crystal Pal. 22 11 6 5 31 34 28
Exeter 22 12 4 7 48 38 28
Norwich 22 10 6 6 35 24 26
Southend 22 19 6 7 42 33 26

SLIGHT DROP IN SILVER.

HONGKONG DOLLAR LOWER.

With silver down both in London and New York, the Hongkong dollar fell 1/8th this morning, the demand rate being 1s. 5.3/16d.

In London, the decline was 1/8th both spot and forward. There were small sellers and poor support, the market ruling quiet.

New York was also down 1/8th, while the cross-rate remained unchanged.

The tone of the Hongkong market is slightly easier, on a quiet market, but Shanghai remains fairly steady.

FRENCH SURTAX ON COAL.

NOT LIKELY TO BE REMOVED.

Paris, Jan. 13. Apparently there is no truth in the report that the French Government have decided to remove the fifteen per cent surtax on British coking coal.

The matter is under consideration, it is believed, but well-informed circles now declare that it is very unlikely that the surtax will be removed on the 18th instant, as was suggested by earlier reports.—*Reuter*.

CROWN PRINCE OF ETHIOPIA.

LUNCHEON WITH HIS MAJESTY.

London, Jan. 13. The Crown Prince of Ethiopia visited the King at Sandringham to-day and remained to luncheon with His Majesty.

During the visit, he delivered a special message of thanks for the British Mission which, under the Duke of Gloucester, attended the Coronation of the Emperor of Ethiopia.—*British Wireless*.

Coventry	23	10	6	7	59	48	29
Watford	22	11	4	7	49	42	26
Reading	24	10	6	8	45	46	26
Brighton	22	10	4	8	37	31	24
Queens' P. R.	23	9	6	8	46	41	24
Bournemouth	23	9	4	10	40	46	22
Cardiff	22	8	4	10	41	39	20
Bristol R.	23	7	6	10	42	47	20
Mansfield	24	7	6	11	42	57	20
Gillingham	22	6	10	38	41	18	
Clapton O.	22	6	10	37	41	18	
Torquay	23	6	11	11	63	18	
Northampton	23	5	4	13	24	43	14
Thames	23	3	7	13	23	52	13

EX-QUEEN SOPHIE PASSES AWAY.

Granddaughter of Victoria.

TROUBLOUS REIGN.

London, Jan. 13. The death occurred to-day at Frankfurt of the ex-Queen Sophie of Greece, a sister of the ex-Kaiser Wilhelm and a granddaughter of Queen Victoria. The ex-Queen was 61 years of age.

A daughter of Kaiser Friedrich III and Princess Victoria of England, the ex-Kaiser and Prince Henry of Prussia are her brothers, while her surviving sisters are Princess Victoria of Schaumburg-Lippe, who lives in Bonn, and Princess Margaret of Hesse.

In October 1889, when only 19, Princess Sophie married at Athens the then Crown Prince Constantine of Greece. Against the will of her brother the Kaiser, who went so far as to forbid her admission to Prussia, she joined the Greek Orthodox Church in 1891.

After the assassination of King George I, she ascended the Greek throne with her husband in 1913. His reign was a troublous one and in 1917 owing to the pressure of the Allies he fled Greece and handed over the throne to his eldest son, Alexander.

Constantine lived in Switzerland till, after Alexander's death in December 1920, he was recalled to Greece by a vote of the people and again ascended the throne. He lost it for a second time, however, after the ill-fated Asia Minor campaign against the Turks and left Greece at the end of 1922. In December, 1923, he died at Palermo, Sicily.

His widow, the ex-Queen Sophie, lived for some time at Ollia, near Florence, in complete seclusion. In 1925 the remains of her husband were taken to Florence. Her second son, who followed his father as King George II, was forced to abdicate the Greek throne in 1924. Her eldest daughter, Princess Helen married Carol of Rumania.

The ex-Queen leaves three other children, Prince Paul and the Princesses Irene and Catherine.—*Reuter and I.B.S.*

WUCHOW SUICIDE.

MAN'S BODY FOUND HANGING.

Wuchow, Jan. 11. Early risers this morning witnessed a horrible spectacle when the body of a man was found hanging near the Tsi Shu Ma T'au, on the banks of the Foo River. This locality is given over to bamboo workers and blacksmith shops.

It is alleged that death was self-inflicted. The body was that of a man about forty years of age.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

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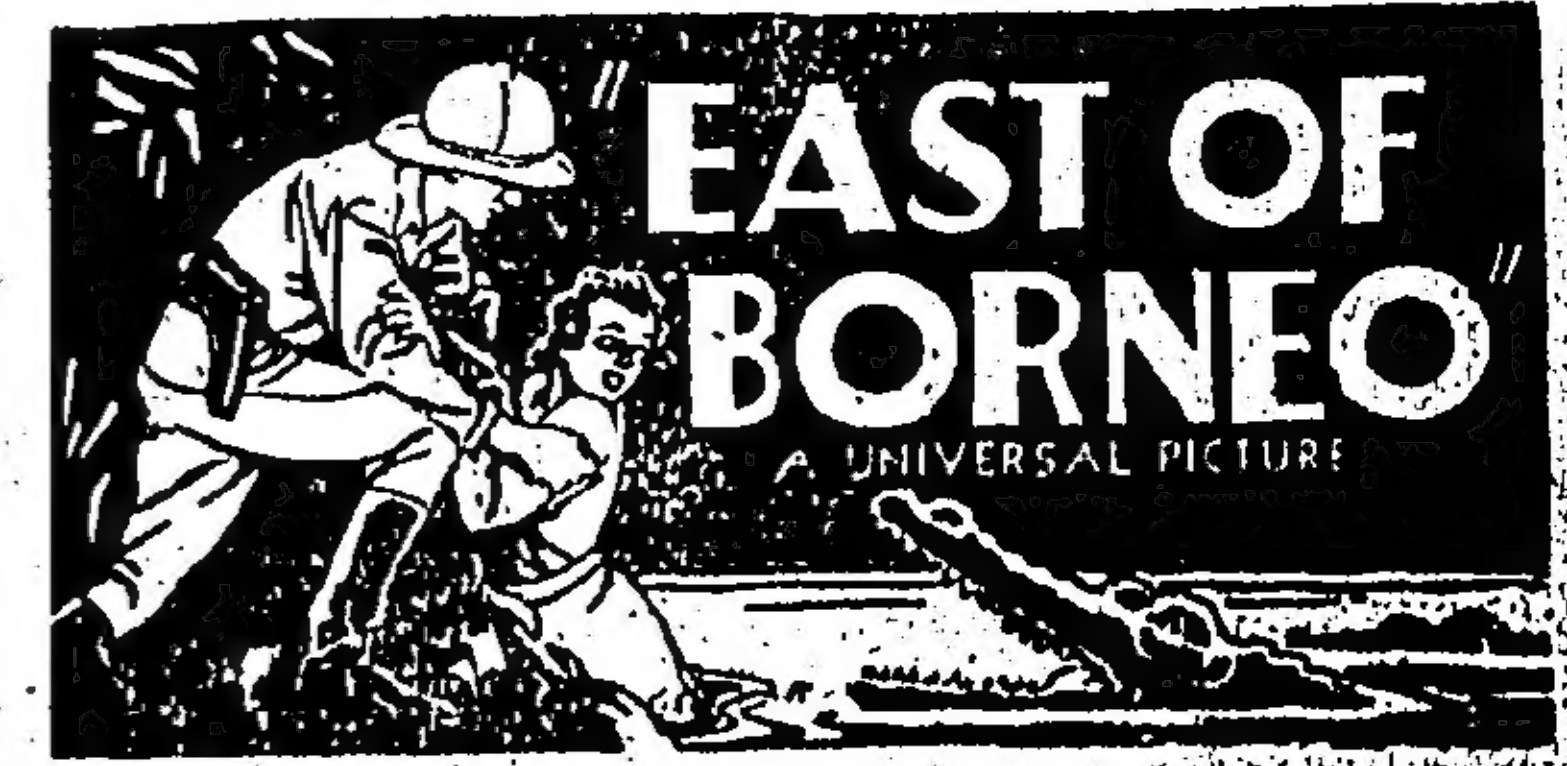
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